

Task 4

Debugging Fixes

A total of 4 tests failed. Three of them (`test_diff_nested_trees`, `test_diff_moved_file_added_first`, `test_diff_moved_file_removed_first`) share the same root cause, while the fourth test has a different issue.

Tests 1 - 3: Common Root Cause: Assuming that modified directories would appear in a specific order (`dir1` before `dir2` or vice versa) when iterating through the `modified` list. The `diff_commits` method in `repository.py` apparently adding tree records with no guaranteed order. The issue stems from the test itself, so nothing to be changed in code's logic.

Key Changes Applied to All Three Tests:

1. Added sorted name comparison: `sorted([m.record.name for m in modified])` to verify both directories are present
2. Created a `modified_dict` mapping directory names to their diff objects
3. Replaced all `modified[0]` and `modified[1]` positional access with `modified_dict['dir1']` and `modified_dict['dir2']`
4. For `test_diff_nested_trees`, also applied the same pattern to children ordering within `dir2`

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tests/libcaf/test_diff.py::test_diff_nested_trees PASSED
tests/libcaf/test_diff.py::test_diff_moved_file_added_first PASSED
tests/libcaf/test_diff.py::test_diff_moved_file_removed_first PASSED
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Test 4: C++ Data Structure Fix

Root Cause: Tree records were stored in a C++ `unordered_map` which has arbitrary iteration order. Thus, when `diff_commits` iterates through `records.items()` in python, it's actually iterating through this data structure. That's a problem since a tree derives its hash from a sequence of strings that stand for its children names - making the order in which those are traversed crucial to tell the difference between trees.

Solution: Changed the underlying C++ data structure from `unordered_map` to `map` (which maintains sorted order by key).

Files Modified:

- `libcaf/src/tree.h` - Changed member type from `std::unordered_map` to `std::map`
- `libcaf/src/object_io.cpp` - Updated include (`<map>` instead of `<unordered_map>`) and local variable type
- `libcaf/src/bind.cpp` - Updated Python binding constructor signature

Result: Tree records now iterate in alphabetical order by key name, making diff output deterministic and consistent.

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tests/libcaf/test_objects.py::test_tree_entries_are_canonicalized PASSED
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