Size

- 1. 22539 LOC in the project.
- 2. HTMLEditor.java is the largest file at 2144 LOC.
- 3. It would appear that LOC is calculated by counting each statement as 1. (Method 1 from the lecture notes.)

Cohesion

- LCOM2 calculation returns a value in the range [0,2] with values >=1 indicating a very
 problematic class. Lower values mean a higher level of cohesion. From what I could find,
 LCOM2 is defined as the percentage of methods that do not access a specific variable averaged
 across all variables in the class. Basically, if all methods can access all variables in a class then
 there is high cohesion.
- 2. Assuming I'm reading the report right, PriorityQueue.java has the highest cohesion (lowest LCOM score). The class has only 2 variables and 4 methods. One variable is accessed by 3 of the 4 methods and the other variable is accessed by all 4 methods. This would indicate that all the pieces are working together very well for high cohesion.

Complexity

- 1. main.java.memoranda has a mean Cyclomatic Complexity of 1.746 with a maximum of 16 and a standard deviation of 1.547.
- 2. The Start.java class has the highest average CC at 3.5.
- 3. History.java started at a mean 2.429 CC. Slight changes brought the mean CC down to 2.357. The add method had a check for null and a check for equality in two nested if statements (Line 37 and 38). I consolidated it into a single if statement using an &&. Also, there was an if statement for setting the size of _list (A vector). Because Vectors resize dynamically I couldn't find a reason to keep it in the context of the code so I commented it out (Line 39 and 40). Granted, there could have been a good reason for that check that I'm not aware of buried somewhere else in the code, but for now an explicit call to setSize on a Vector did not seem necessary.

Package-level Coupling

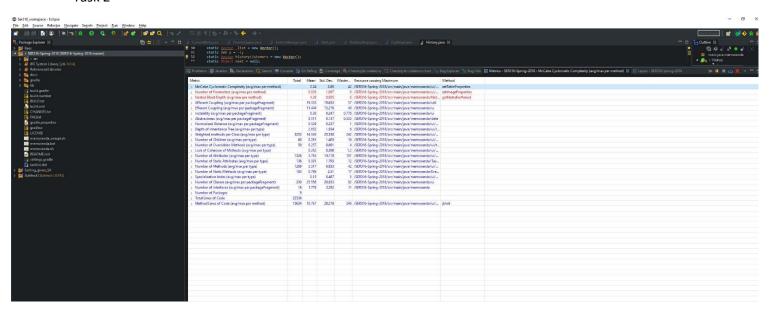
- 1. Afferent Coupling refers to the dependency of other classes on the classes in the subject package. In other words, if I am a package then afferent coupling refers to other packages relying on me. Afferent coupling signals inward.
 - Efferent Coupling refers to the dependency of the subject package on classes from other packages. In other words, if I am a package then efferent coupling refers to me relying on other packages. Efferent coupling signals outward.

- 2. main.java.memoranda.util has the highest Afferent Coupling with a value of 57.
- 3. main.java.memoranda.ui has the highest Efferent Coupling with a value of 49.

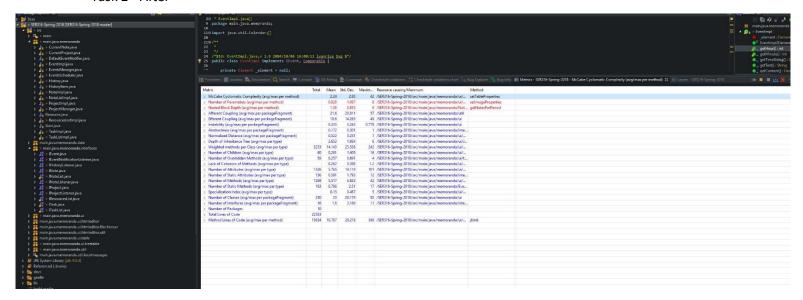
Worst Quality

I would place both HTMLEditor.java and AltHTMLWriter.java (Both in main.java.memorand.ui.htmleditor) as tied for worst class in the project. I base my decision primarily on Cyclomatic Complexity. HTMLEditor has a mean CC of 3.562 and AltHTMLWriter has a mean of 4.292. There is actually a class that has a higher mean CC (ProjectPackager.java @ Mean=5.667) but the clincher for my picks is that both classes have an extreme spike in complexity according to their respective Maximum values. HTMLEditor at maximum has a CC of 42 and AltHTMLWriter has a maximum CC of 23. ProjectPackager only maxes out at a CC of 10, so even though the mean is higher, there is not such a dramatic spike in complexity. Additionally, at maximum value for LCOM both HTMLEditor and AltHTMLWriter come close to a value of 1 (.976 and .9 respectively), just barely which is another indicator that there could be some improvements in the code.

Task 2



Task 2 - After



Mean Afferent Coupling increased from 19.333 to 21.6. While not a concrete example of code getting worse, a higher afferent coupling score would seem to indicate that in some cases class/package dependence on other classes has now increased. On the other hand, Efferent Coupling decreased from 11.444 to 10.6. This indicates that perhaps changes to a single class/package will have less of a ripple effect throughout the code base. I would consider this to be an improvement on code maintainability.

Task 3

2-1 - Smell Within A Class

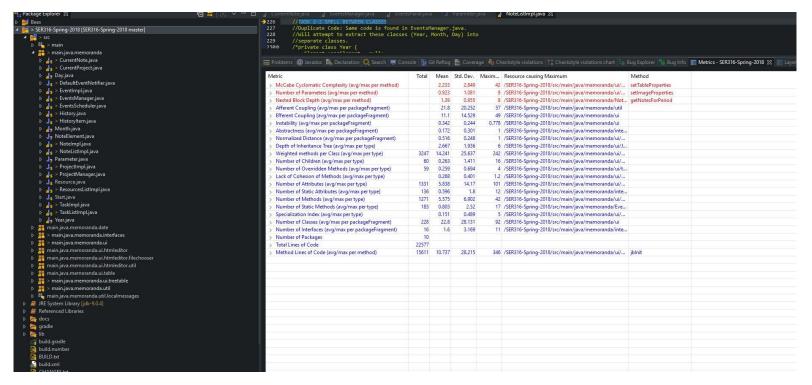
main.java.memoranda.EventsManager.java

createRepeatableEvent() on line 132 had a list of 8 parameters. This was a smell of a long parameter list. In order to fix this, I created a separate class in the same package called Parameter that simply contains all the parameter attributes the method required with the necessary getters and setters. I then set all the values in an instance of Parameter in the method that calls createRepeatableEvent(). The call originated in the same package from EventsPanel.java, updateEvents() on line 362.

2-2 - Smell Between Classes

Package main.java.memoranda, Classes NoteListImpl.java and EventsManager.java both contained nested classes Year, Month, and Day. These classes were virtually identical. This was a smell of duplicate code. I extracted the classes and created the classes Year, Month, Day, and NoteElement in order to remove this redundancy.

Final Capture



I can't say that my small bits of refactoring did anything of consequence.

Mean CC decreased by .007. A decrease in complexity is good, but this was a negligible decrease.

Mean LCOM increased by .006. Mean Afferent coupling increased by .2 and mean efferent coupling increased by .5.