Code Smells & Refactoring-PdfSam

Refactoring is the process of changing a software code in such a way that it does not affect the behavior of the code and improves its internal structure. A good design always comes first followed by the coding. Over the time code will be modified and the integrity of the system structure according to that design would gradually fades. Thus, the code sinks from engineering to hacking.

While refactoring the code, we can take a bad design and rework it into a well-designed code. The resulting interaction leads to a program with a design that stays good as development continues.

There are several tools to automatically detect code smells. The tool that I have used for this assignment is JDeodorant. JDeodorant is an Eclipse plug-in that identifies design problems in software, known as bad smells, and resolves them by applying appropriate refactoring.

JDeodorant employs a variety of novel methods and techniques in order to identify code smells and suggest the appropriate refraction that resolve them. For the moment, the tool identifies five kinds of bad smells, namely Feature Envy, Type Checking, Long Method, God Class and Duplicated Code.

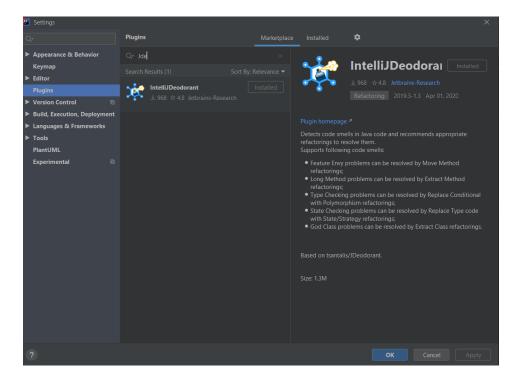


Figure 1: JDeodorant Plugin in Intelli

Intellij JDeodorant¹ is a plugin which is based on Jdeodorant Eclipse plugin that detects code smells in Java code and recommends appropriate refactorings to resolve them. All of the suggested refactorings can be carried out automatically from within the plugin.

This tool supports several code smells. They are:

- 1. Feature Envy: It performs a "Move Method" when a method uses attributes/methods of another class more than those of the enclosing class. The tool can detect such methods and suggest moving them to a more related class.
- 2. Type Checking follows a "Replace Conditional with Polymorphism" refactoring where it refers to cases when a set of conditional statements determine the outcome of the program by comparing the value of a variable representing the current state of an object with a set of named constants.
- 3. Long Method occurs when a method is too long and can be divided into several. For such methods, the tool identifies blocks of code that are responsible for calculating a variable and suggests extracting it into a separate method, i.e. perform an Extract Method refactoring.
- 4. God Class is done on large and complex class that contains too many components. The tool identifies sets of attributes and methods in a class that could be moved into a separate class to simplify the understanding of the code, i.e. an Extract Class refactoring can be performed.

To run the tool:

• After the plugin is installed, IntelliJDeodorant tool will appear below in IntelliJ IDEA.

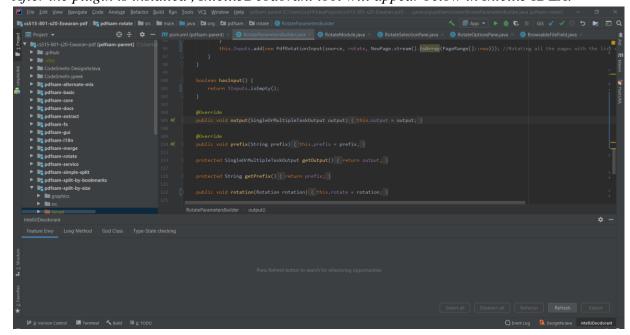


Figure 2: Preview of IntelliJ JDeodorant

- Press Refresh button to search for refactoring opportunities.
- Each tab of this window contains a Refresh button that allows to search for the necessary code smell in the entire project and the table with the results of the search.
- For refactoring, select a suggestion in the table and click the Refactor button which is beside Refresh button.

I. <u>AUTOMATED REFACTORING</u>

a. Class:

pdfsam-rotate/src/main/java/org/pdfsam/rotate/RotateParametersBuilder.java
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Before Refactoring

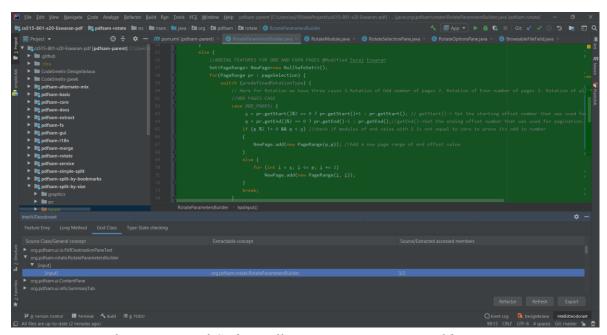


Figure 3: Detection of Code smell in RotateParametricBuilder.java

After Refactoring

For removing the smell from God class RotateParametricBuilder, A class RotateParametricBuilderProduct was created and fields are extracted from RotateParametricBuilder.

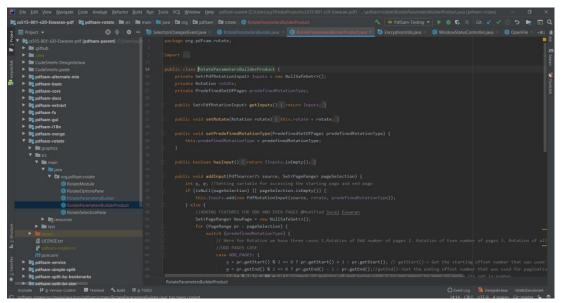


Figure 4: Extraction of fields in RotateParametricBuilderProduct.java

After refactoring is done, the smell is not detected, thus the smell is removed with the help of JDeodorant.

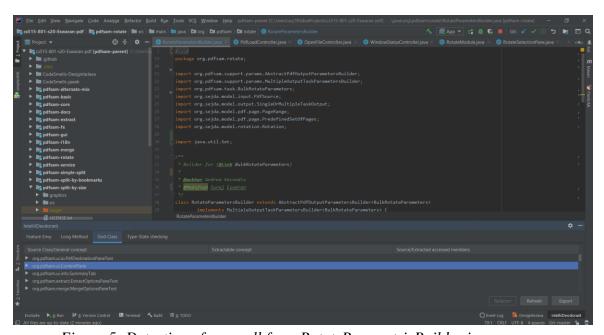


Figure 5: Detection of no smell from RotateParametricBuilder.java

There were not any changes in the code, just extraction was done. Testing is done with the help of Junit testing. All the test were passed before and after refactoring.

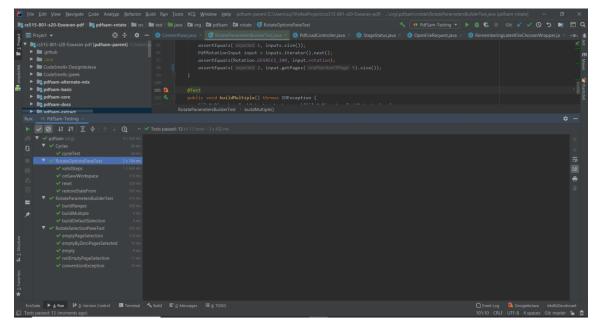


Figure 6: Junit Testing done on RotateParametricBuilderTest

b. Class:

pdfsam-core/src/main/java/org/pdfsam/module/ModuleDescriptorBuilder.java Smell Type: God Class, Method: Extract Class

Rationale: The main for this code smell refactoring is to extract classes into other class.

Before Refactoring

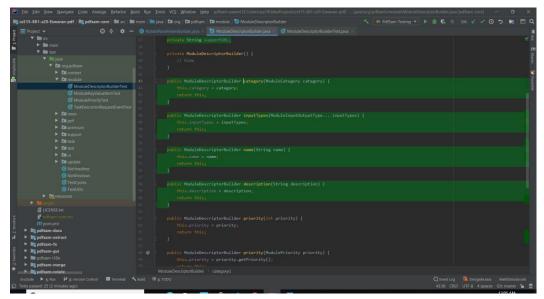


Figure 7: Detection of Code smell in ModuleDescriptionBuilder.java

After Refactoring

For removing the smell from God class ModuleDescriptorBuilder, A class ModuleDescriptorBuilderProduct was created and fields are extracted from ModuleDescriptorBuilder.

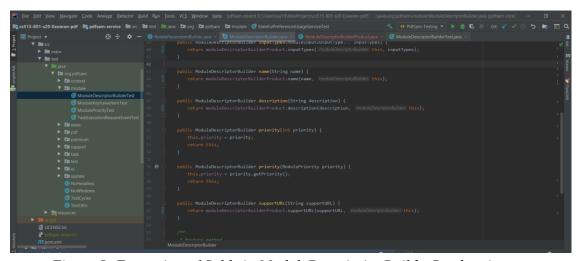


Figure 8: Extraction of fields in ModuleDescriptionBuilderProduct.java

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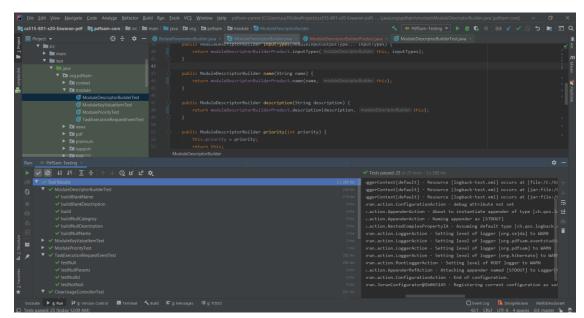


Figure 9: Junit Testing on ModuleDescriptionBuilderTest

c. Class:pdfsam-fx/src/main/java/org/pdfsam/ui/io/BrowsableFileField.java Smell Type: Long Method, Method: Extract Method Rationale: The main for this code smell refactoring is to extract method into other class.

Before Refactoring

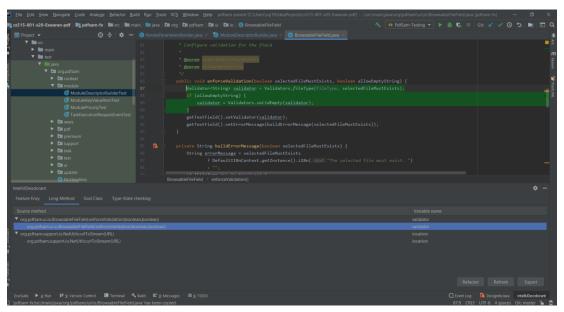


Figure 10: Detection of Code smell in BrowsableFileField.java

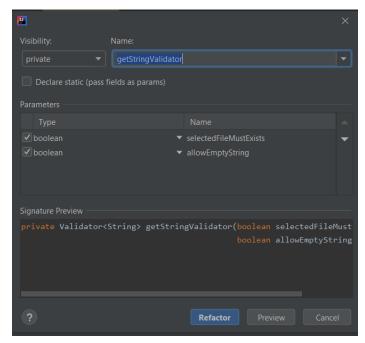


Figure 11:Extract Method in BrowsableFileField.java

After Refactoring

For this, a code smell of Long Method was removed using extract method by IntelliJ JDeodorant. Detected lines were moved to a method getStringValidation.

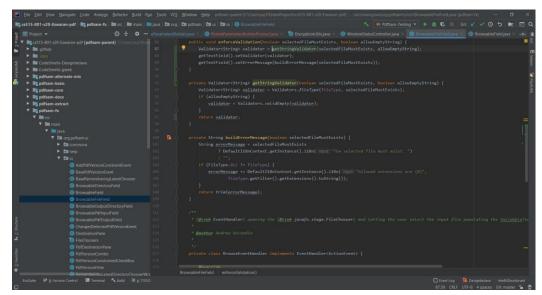


Figure 12: Removal of the Code Smell

There is not any code change, only extraction of method is done. Testing is done with the help of Junit testing. All the test were passed before and after refactoring.

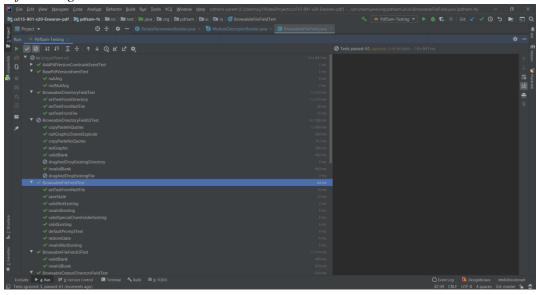


Figure 13: Junit Testing for BrowsableFileFieldTest

From the observation, BrowsableFileField were used only once in the project. For these kinds of code, extraction made the process easier since it would make the function call too long. That is why it better to rely on extracting the method.

d. Class:

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fx/src/main/java/org/pdfsam/ui/io/RememberingLatestFileChooserWrapper.java Smell Type: Type/State Checking, Method: Replace Conditional with Polymorphism Rationale: The main for this code smell refactoring is to replace conditional methods with the help of polymorphism.

Before Refactoring

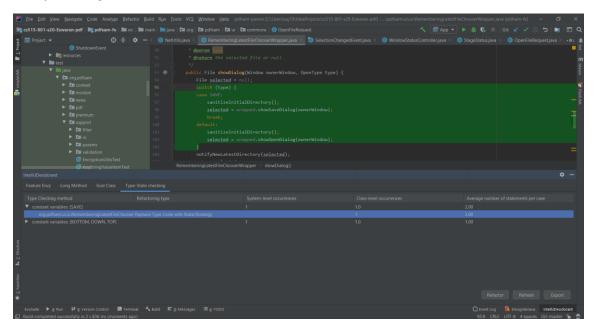


Figure 14: Detection of Code Smell in RememberingLatestFileChooserWrapper.java

After Refactoring

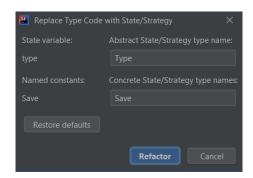


Figure 15: Replace Conditional with Polymorphism-I

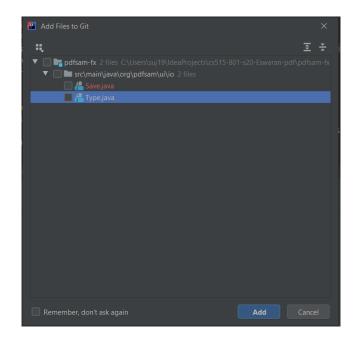
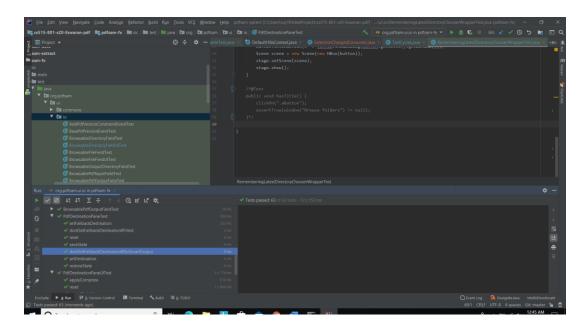


Figure 16: Replace Conditional with Polymorphism-II

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Figure 17: Removal of the Code Smell

There are not any changes in the code, only creation of several classes were implemented using polymorphism. Testing is done with the help of Junit testing. All the test were passed before and after refactoring.



Figure~18:~Junit~Testing~for~Remembering Latest File Chooser Wrapper Test

II. MANUAL REFACTORING

a. Class:

class.

pdfsam-fx/src/main/java/org/pdfsam/ui/selection/multiple/SelectionTable.java Smell Type: God Class ,Method: Extract Class Rationale: The main for this code smell refactoring is to extract classes into other

Before Refactoring

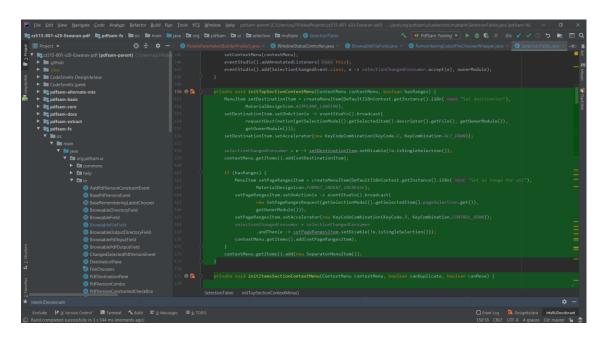


Figure 18: Detection of Code Smell in SelectionTable.java

After Refactoring

After refactoring is done, the smell is not detected, thus the smell is removed with the help of JDeodorant.

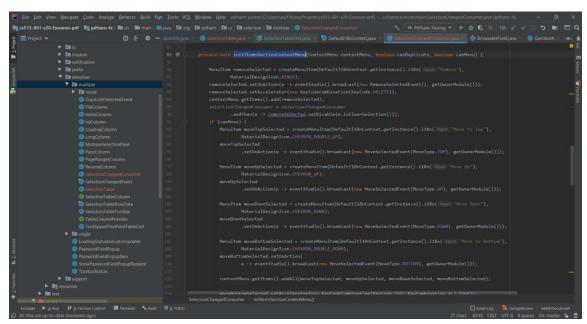


Figure 19: Creation of new Class SelectionChangedCharacter.java

In this case, a new class called SelectionChangedCharacter was created and extracted few of the methods from SelectionTable has been used in it because of the code refactored by the Jdeodorant was not working according to the functionality so have to do it manually in order to have free flow of the software. Testing is done with the help of Junit testing. All the test were passed before and after refactoring.

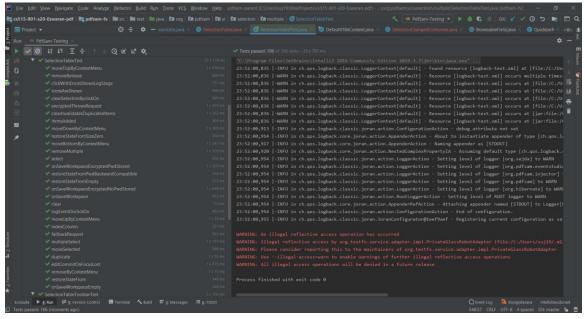


Figure 20:Running of Junit for SelectionChangedCharacterTest

Type of refact oring	Smelly Classes	Briefly describe the smell by considering the class, methods, attributes, etc. involved in the smell	Explain why the class/method is flagged as smelly (be specific).	Do you agree that the detected smell is an actual smell? Justify your answer.
Automatic	RotateParametersBuil der	Functionaliti es of class RotateParam etricBuilder seems to be doing all the function operation, thus it can be separated into other different classes based on similar type of responsibiliti es	functionality of RotateParametric Builder, so this method would be considered as a code smell. Solution for this God class problem is to extract the class to a new default class named	smell can be an actual smell since it is a difficult

ModuleDescripte der	es of class ModuleDescr iption seems to be doing all the function operation, thus it can be separated into other different classes based on similar type of	nBuilder, Status seem to be used a lot, so this method would be considered as a code smell. Solution for this God class problem is to extract the class to a new default class named ModuleDescriptio	class which can be helpful in design aspect as well. The changed code did not affect the function ality. Even this code smell can be an actual smell since it is a difficult task for the , program mers to create a
	function operation, thus it can be separated into other different classes based on similar type of responsibiliti	considered as a code smell. Solution for this God class problem is to extract the class to a new default class named	smell since it is a difficult task for the , program mers to create a new
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beringLatestFi serWrapper	The code seems to be smelly since the filed in the class would not be belonging to the class, would be remaining as an ordinary field in it. This causes type checking kind of code smell.	considered to be not related to FileChosser, but they might provide its own polymorphic	add to an existing one when a situation of large code lines arrives. According to me, this can also be consider ed as an actual smell since it list of paramet ers might happen after several types of algorith ms issue which is not a good sign in
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