

Advance Topics In Software Engineering

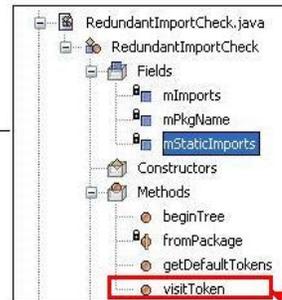
Episode 2: Design presentation

```
if(everything_keeps_going_fine)
{
    contribution_to_checkstyle(DeadLine dL);
    if(enough_time_left)
        System.out.println("more changes in mind");
}
```

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1st Change: RedundantImportCheck.java

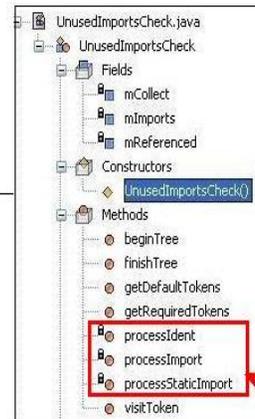
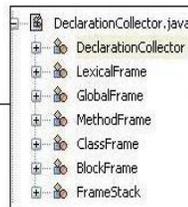
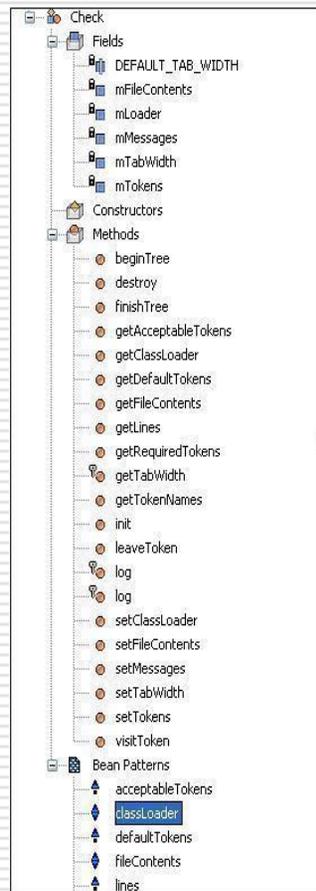


➤ Have to change the method **visitToken(DetailAST aAST)**

➤ **DetailAST** is a class that extends the functionality of **CommonAST** class that is imported from **antlr** library and records the line and the column numbers of the class parameters.

➤ **RedundantImportCheck** extends **Check** abstract class which is the base class for all checks.

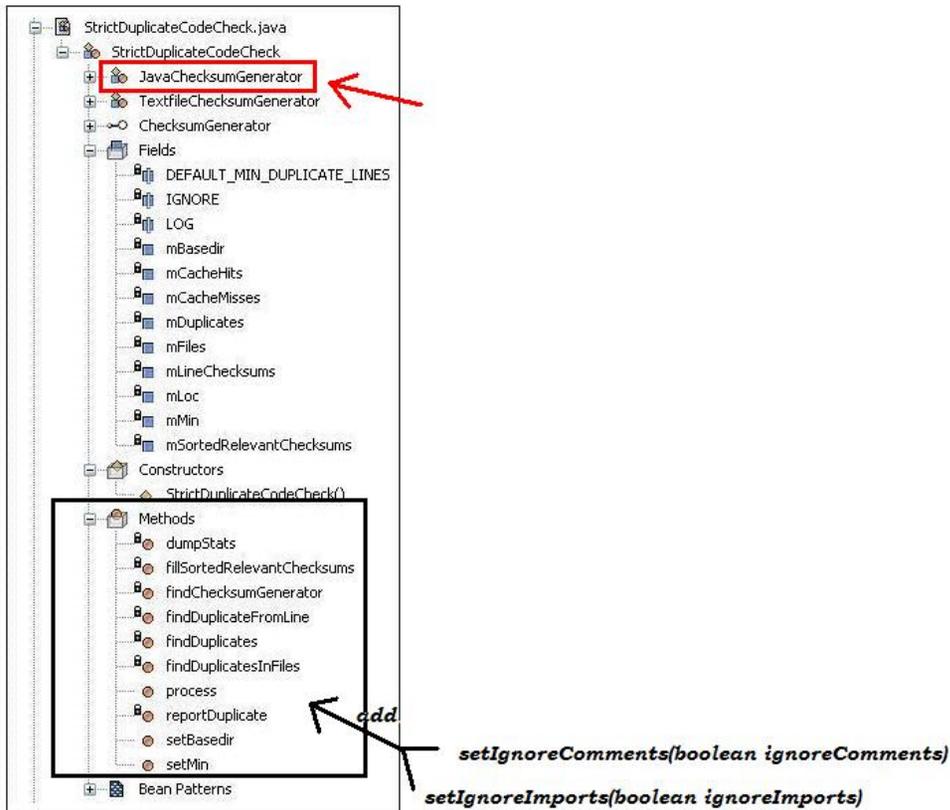
2nd Change: UnusedImportsCheck.java



➤ Have to change the methods **processIdent (DetailAST aAST)**, **processImport(DetailAST aAST)** and **processStaticImport(DetailAST aAST)**, that **visitToken(DetailAST aAST)** uses in order to check if the imported classes from a `".*"` import are finally used.

➤ **UnusedImportsCheck** extends **DeclarationCollector** abstract class which is used for checks which need to collect information about declared members, parameters or variables of a class. **DeclarationCollector** extends **Check** abstract class.

3rd Change: StrictDuplicateCode.class



➤ Gives the functionality to the user to decide if he wants to include the import statements or the comments in the duplication check. I have to add two **setter methods**. Afterwards, I should add some code to the method **calcChecksum(String aLine)** that reads the file text in order to include or not the imports and the comments in the check.

➤ **XML properties example:**

```
<module name="Checker">
  <module name="StrictDuplicateCode">
    <property name="min" value="5"/>
    <property name="ignoreImports"
value="false"/>
    <property name="ignoreComments"
value="false"/>
  </module>
</module>
```

➤ **AutomaticBean.class** from checkstyle's API detects the setter methods when property values are given in the configuration file.

4th Change: Write my own check

ClassBlankness.class

- Add this class in the package **com.puppcrawl.tools.checkstyle.checks**
 - A method called **blankCalculator(String aLine)** will implement the check by calculating the percentage of the blank lines in the file. The lines considered as blank are those which include at most a `{` or a `}`.
 - There will be a setter method **setMinBlank(double minBlank)** to give the percentage of the blank lines of a class which should be the minimum in a file in order to not be reported. This will be the check's property.
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%Further thoughts%

➤ Enrich the “poor” gui of checkstyle, which can just display the structure of selected java file.

(new class in the package **com.pupppycrawl.tools.checkstyle.gui**)

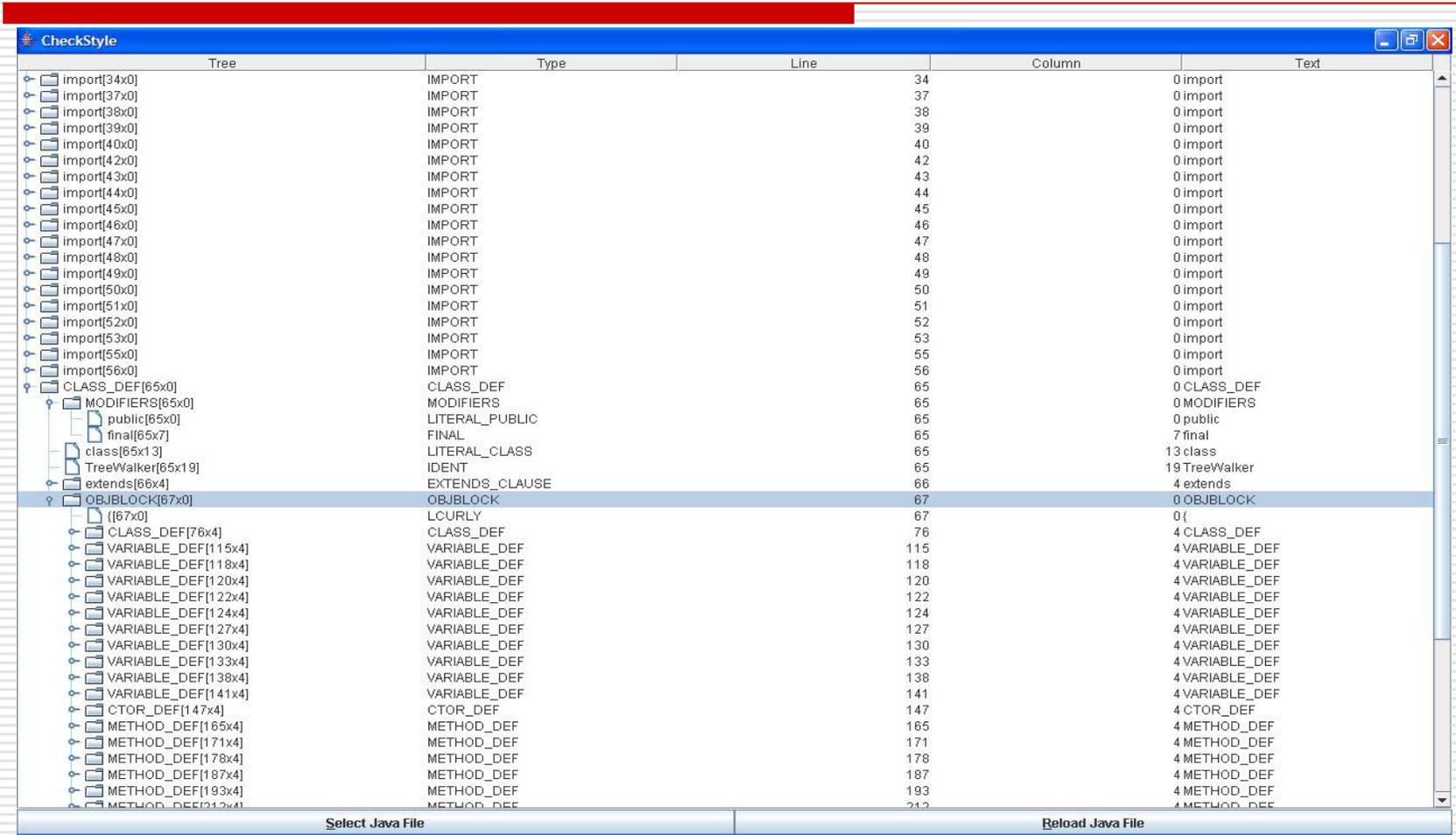
- Add a read only editor field that highlights the selected AST node.
- Clicking in the editor field could open the corresponding tree path.

➤ Export the results of the checks in a .java file (Files'_name+“checked”.class) including the results of the check in the specific line that they are referred to.

A new class is needed (JavaLogger.java) in addition to DefaultLogger.java and XMLLogger.java that already exist and give .txt and .xml outputs.

➤ Functionality to check C# code instead of Java is something that interests many of the project's users.

How checkstyle's GUI looks like



What is done till now...

- Changes to **RedundantImportCheck.java** are already finished.
 - Changes to **UnusedImportsCheck.java** are on the way to be finished.
 - The half part of the intended changes to **StrictDuplicateCode.class** is finished.
 - I have understood the parts of the checkstyle's API that need to be used in order to write my own check.
 - Already started thinking of some more changes.
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Thank you for your attention-)

ANY QUESTIONS?
