Advance Topics In Software Engineering

If(everything_goes_fine)

System.out.println("Contribution to **checkstyle** project");

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What is checkstyle project?

➢ A development tool to help programmers write Java code that follows some coding standards.

➢ It can check many aspects of the source code, like duplication, class design, javadoc comments, etc.

➢ It is highly configurable by the user who gives a configuration (.xml) file including the checks he wants to make.

How can someone use it?

➤ As an Ant tool.

➤ As a command-line tool.

➤ As a plug-in, written by third-parties, to developing platforms.

What you just have to do is write a (.xml) configuration file, give an input (.java) file and you get an (.xml or .txt) with the checking results.

"Checkstyle" Details

- ➢ Mostly developed by Oliver Burn and a team of 4 more developers.

- ➢ At the moment 4.1 version has already been released.

- ➢ The project is in the mature stage.

- ➢ Consisted of 268 .java files

What is done till now…

- It has been compiled.

- Ran through command-line and as netbeans' plug-in.

- Contact with the project's administrator.

My intended Contribution to the Project(1)

➢ Fix the RedundantImport check, so that duplicated imports can be detected and avoided.

e.g. import java.io.*;

　　　　import java.io.File.*;

➢ Extend the UnusedImports check, in order to also check massive imports whose classes are not used.

➢ If just one class of a .* import is used, suggest the import of the specific class of the package.

My intended Contribution to the Project(2)

-Depending on the time needed-

➢ Insert a new check indicating the level of code clearness, counting how many blank lines there are every 100 lines of code.

➢ Add some boolean properties to the StrictDuplicateCode check concerning the inclusion to the check of javadocs or whitespace lines between methods.

Thank you for your attention

ANY QUESTIONS???