



《The Missing Links: Bugs and Bug-fix Commits》

《Is better data better than better data miners?: on the benefits of tuning smote for defect prediction》

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Given the wide use of linked defect data, it is vital to gauge the nature and extent of the bias, and try to develop testable theories and models of the bias.

Link

Bug Reports

Commit Logs

Issues

Bug-feature Bias

where only the fixes of certain types of defects are linked

Commit-feature Bias

where only the certain kinds of fixes, or fixes to certain kinds of files, are linked.

Contribution

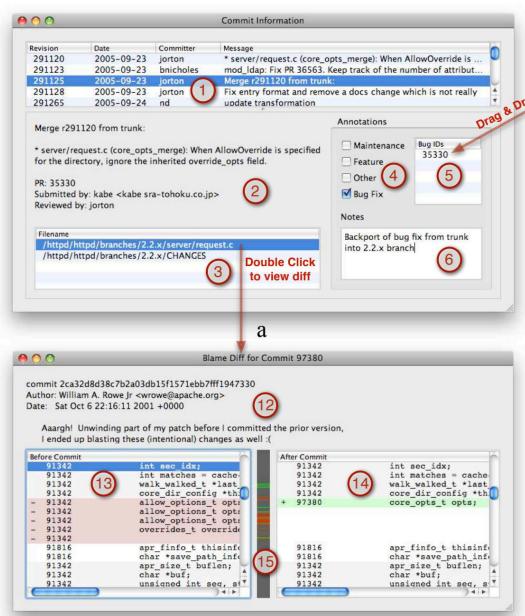
- Present *Linkster*A tool to facilitate link reverseengineering.
- 2 Evaluate this tool

Analyze the comprehensive data set

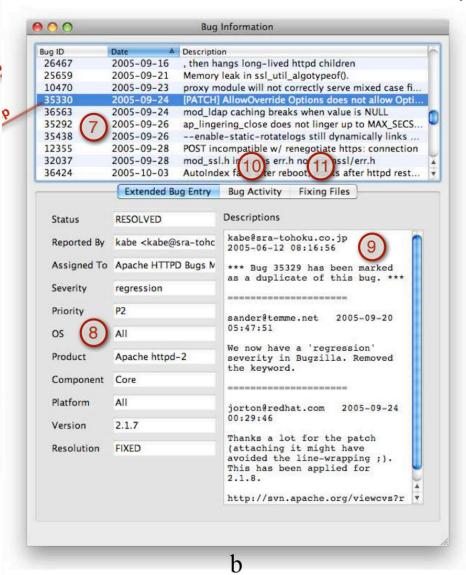
Apache HTTP web server project



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• RQ 1: Do the bug reporting and fixing practices of developers correspond to the assumptions commonly made by researchers?

A so-called "bug" is not always a bug; neither is a "commit" always a commit.

• RQ 2: How well does the automated approach of finding links between commits and bug reports work?

The automated approach finds virtually all the commit log messages which contain a link to the bug tracking database

• RQ 3: Is there any evidence of systematic bias in the linking of bug-fix commits to bug reports?

Find that reporting bias affects the performance of a bug prediction algorithm.



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Finding 1. Not all fixed bugs are mentioned in the bug tracking database. Some are discussed (only) on the mailing list.

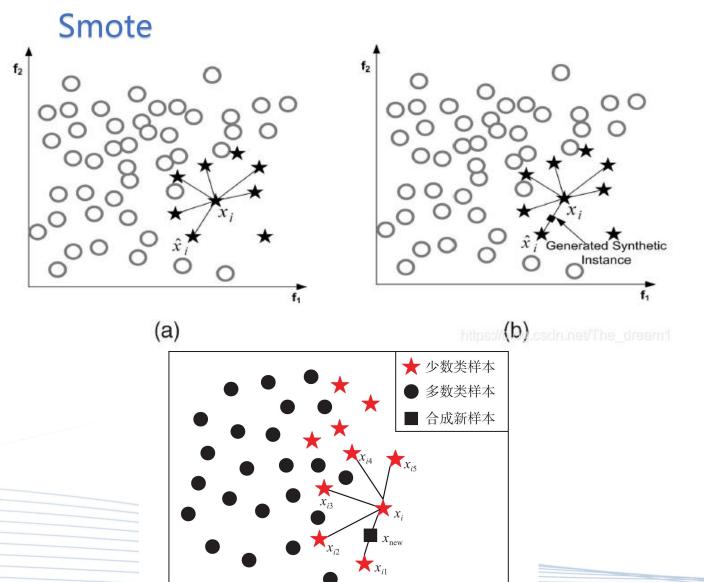
Finding 2. To fix a bug in an Apache release, multiple similar commits by different developers are needed.

Finding 3. Developers sometimes fix bugs that are only reported in some other projects' bug tracker, rather than in their own; and vice-versa.

Finding 4. Even if we annotate all commits, the cause of a commit still remains unspecifified in some cases.



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```
def SMOTE(k=2, m=50%, r=2): # defaults
  while Majority > m do
    delete any majority item # random
  while Minority < m do
    add something like(any minority item)
def something_like(X0):
  relevant = emptySet
  k1 = 0
  while(k1++ < 20 and size(found) < k) {
     all = k1 nearest neighbors
     relevant += items in "all" of X0 class}
  Z = any of found
  Y = interpolate(X0, Z)
  return Y
def minkowski_distance(a,b,r):
  return (\Sigma_i \ abs(a_i - b_i)^r)^{1/r}
```

Figure 3: Pseudocode of SMOTE



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```
def DE(n=10, cf=0.3, f=0.7): # default settings
  frontier = sets of guesses (n=10)
  best = frontier.1 # any value at all
  lives = 1
  while(lives -- > 0):
    tmp = empty
    for i = 1 to | frontier |: # size of frontier
        old = frontier;
       x,y,z = any three from frontier, picked at random
        new= copy(old)
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        for j = 1 to |new|: # for all attributes
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          if rand() < cf # at probability cf...
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             new.j = x.j + f * (z.j - y.j) # ...change item j
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        # end for
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        new = new if better(new,old) else old
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       tmp_i = new
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        if better(new,best) then
           best = new
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           lives++ # enable one more generation
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       end
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    # end for
                                                                     21
   frontier = tmp
  # end while
  return best
                                                                     24
```

Table 5: SMOTE parameters

]	Para	Defaults used by SMOTE	Tuning Range (Explored by (SMOTUNED)	Description		
	k	5	[1,20]	Number of neighbors		
	m	50%	{50, 100, 200, 400}	Number of synthetic examples to		
				create. Expressed as a percent of		
				final training data.		
- 1	r	2	[0.1,5]	Power parameter for the		
				Minkowski distance metric.		

Figure 4: SMOTUNED uses DE (differential evolution).



- RQ1: Are the default "off-the-shelf" parameters for SMOTE appropriate for all datasets?
- RQ2: Is there any benefit in tuning the default parameters of SMOTE for each new dataset?
- RQ3: In terms of runtimes, is the cost of running SMOTUNED worth the performance improvement?
- RQ4: How does SMOTUNED perform against more recent class imbalance technique?



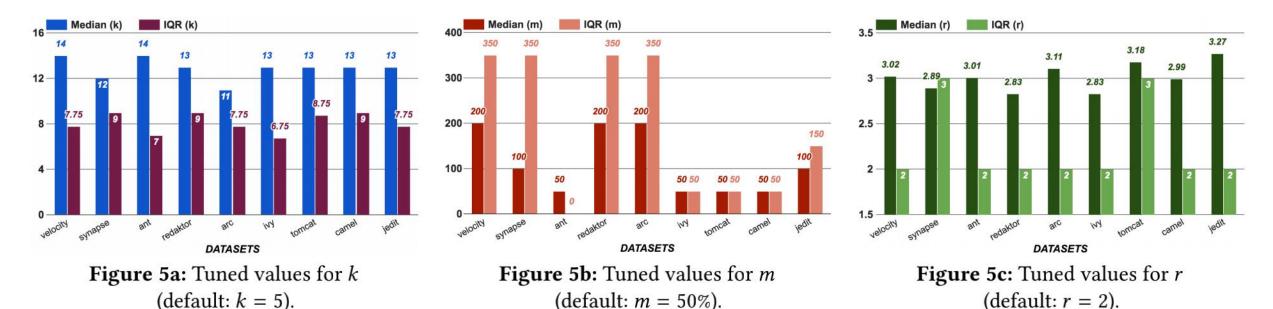


Figure 5: Data sets vs Parameter Variation when optimized for recall and results reported on recall. "Median" denotes 50th percentile values seen in the 5*5 cross-validations and "IQR" shows the intra-quartile range, i.e., (75-25)th percentiles.

		number of wins				
	Treatments	AUC	Recall	Precision	False Alarm	
-	MAHAKIL	1/9	0/9	6/9	9/9	
	SMOTE	0/9	1/9	0/9	0/9	
	SMOTUNED	8/9	8/9	3/9	0/9	



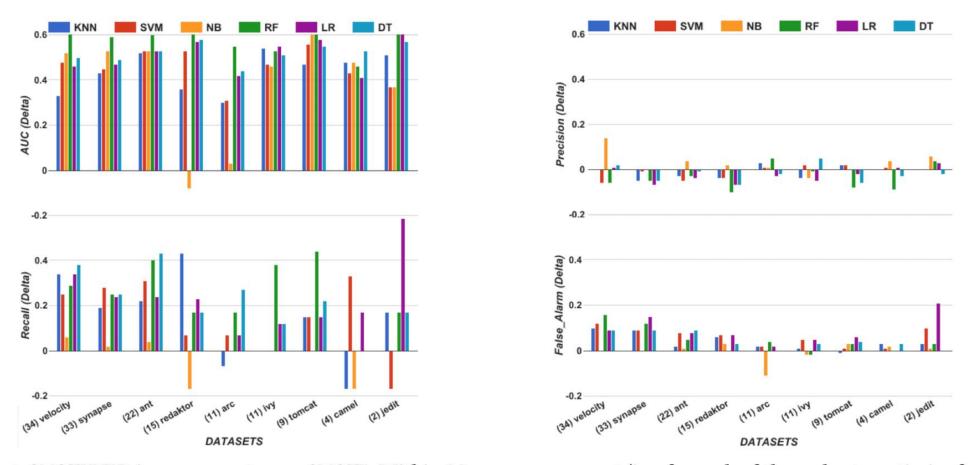


Figure 6: SMOTUNED improvements over SMOTE. Within-Measure assessment (i.e., for each of these charts, optimize for performance measure M_i). For most charts, larger values are better, but for false alarm, smaller values are better. Note that the corresponding percentage of minority class (in this case, defective class) is written beside each data set.