

CS 569 spring 2016 – Project

Competitive Milestone 1

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Introduction

In the last term, I use the random test method to test the `tstl` program. The random testing method is a black-box software testing technique, so the program uses the randomly generated inputs[1]. It actually has many advantages. In the most complex systems, the random testing could produce some inputs that are would not think to try for users, For the most programs, this testing approach is useful, but there are still some programs are not always found bugs when using the random testing, because this method could not make sure every possible inputs would be tested. So I will start my implementation based on the random test generation. Then the main idea is that I will implement a new testing generation that could try to use fewer test cases to detect the software faults in TSTL.

Explanation

In this project, the main idea to implement a test generation as follows: use fewer test cases to detect the software faults in TSTL[2][3]. So this is a document for `tester1.py` file. In this project, I will implement a testing generator base on the information taught in the class. So the program will do the following things. Firstly, it will use generate the random test, and then let the action be the random action. Then it will check if the action is safe action. If the action is a safe action, it will decide if the coverage of the random test is below the mean, so it will test these parts.

In the first part of this project, I define a function, which is the same function as the `randomtester.py` The function will add command line parameters, it also set input `sys.argv` to the parameters. Then define a function called `make_config`, which is also use the `randomtester.py` as reference, and it returns a dictionary.

When running the testing generation, users can just run in the command line with parameters. First of all, put the `sut.py` file and `tester1.py` file in the same directory. To run the test generation on the command line, use

the following code: `python tester1.py 30 1 100 1 0 1 1`. The first number denotes the timeout that the testing generation will stop when the program runs this time. The second denotes seed, which is for python `random.random` object used for random number generation in the code. The third parameter denotes maximum length of the test generated. The next represents the maximum memory that is basically a search width. The next three parameters can be set in 0 or 1. The last third parameter means the test generation will not check for faults in the SUT. The following two parameters mean that the final coverage report will be produced and also the branch coverage will be produced. In the future work, I will add more functions and make it more interesting. I will keep revising my code, I will try my best to define functions to handle failure.

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