# Assignment-1

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# Lab 3: Multi-Metric Bug Context Analysis and Agreement Detection in Bug-Fix Commits

Repository Link: cs202-stt/lab3

### 1.1 Introduction, Setup, and Tools

#### 1.1.1 Introduction

In Lab 2, I had prepared a per-file dataset of bug-fix commits with extracted diffs and model-generated summaries. The purpose of this lab was to analyse the relation between structural code quality and magnitude of changes in bug-fix commits. Specifically, I aimed to investigate:

- Structural metrics around each fix (Maintainability Index, Cyclomatic Complexity, and Lines of Code) using radon.
- Change magnitude metrics (Semantic similarity with CodeBERT and Token similarity with BLEU).
- Classify each fix as Major or Minor from both lenses and check where they agree (or don't).

By combining these, I classified the bug fixes as Major or Minor and checked where the structural and semantic lenses agreed or conflicted. This is important because commit messages or diffs alone rarely capture how "big" or "complex" a change really is.

#### 1.1.2 Environment and Tools

• OS: Windows 11, Terminal: PowerShell 7

• Code Editor: Visual Studio Code - Insiders

• Python: 3.13.7

• Key packages: radon, nltk, transformers, torch, scikit-learn

• Models: microsoft/codebert-base (for embeddings)

• Hardware: NVIDIA RTX 4060 Laptop GPU

```
Python version: 3.13.7 (tags/v3.13.7:bceelc3, Aug 14 2025, 14:15:11) [MSC v.1944 64 bit (AMD64)]
Using device: cuda
PyTorch version: 2.8.0+cu129
CUDA version: 12.9
Device name: NVIDIA GeForce RTX 4060 Laptop GPU

radon: 6.0.1
transformers: 4.56.0
scikit-learn: 1.7.1
numpy: 2.3.2
pandas: 2.3.2
tqdm: 4.67.1
nltk: 3.9.1
```

**Environment Setup** 

## 1.2 Methodology and Execution

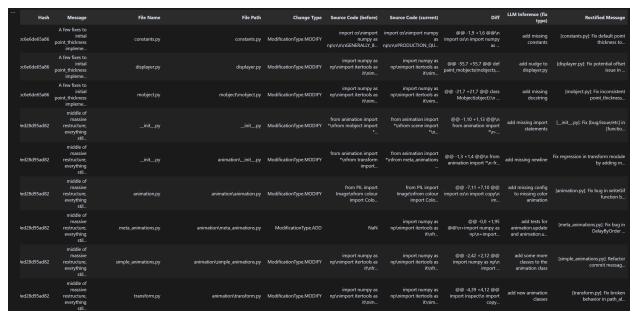
Notebook Link: lab3.ipynb

#### 1.2.1 Starting point (Lab 2 dataset)

• Input CSV: lab3/lab2\_diffs.csv

• Columns included: Commit Hash, Message, File Name, Source Code (before), Source Code (current), Diff, LLM Inference (fix type), Rectified Message

I first loaded the dataset, checked the first 10–20 rows, and verified that there were no missing critical columns. Then, I checked for NaNs in key columns in the dataset.



Dataset Preview

```
print("Checking for NaN values in each column:")
   print(df.isna().sum())
Checking for NaN values in each column:
Hash
Message
                              0
File Name
                              0
File Path
                              0
Change Type
Source Code (before)
                             52
Source Code (current)
                             35
Diff
                              0
LLM Inference (fix type)
                              0
Rectified Message
dtype: int64
```

NaN Counts

#### 1.2.2 Baseline Descriptive Stats

From the dataset, I computed the following statistics to understand the dataset:

- Total unique commits and total file entries.
- Average modified files per commit.
- Distribution of fix types from LLM Inference (fix type).
- Most frequently modified filenames and extensions.

The following images show the code and output for these computations:

```
total_commits = df['Hash'].nunique()
total_files = df.shape[0]
avg_files_per_commit = total_files / total_commits
                                                       # average number of files per commit
fix_type_distribution = df["LLM Inference (fix type)"].value_counts(dropna=False)
# Most frequently modified filenames and extensions
most_modified_filenames = df['File Name'].value_counts()
df['file_extension'] = df['File Name'].apply(
    lambda x: '.' + x.split('.')[-1] if pd.notna(x) and '.' in x else 'no_extension'
file_extension_distribution = df['file_extension'].value_counts()
print(f"Total number of unique commits: {total_commits}")
print(f"Total number of files: {total_files}")
print(f"Average number of modified files per commit (manual calc): {avg_files_per_commit:.2f}")
print("\nDistribution of fix types:")
print(fix_type_distribution.head(10))
print("\nMost frequently modified filenames:")
print(most_modified_filenames.head(10))
print("\nDistribution of file extensions:")
print(file_extension_distribution.head(10))
```

Baseline Stats Code

```
Total number of unique commits: 1121
Total number of files: 2041
Average number of modified files per commit (manual calc): 1.82
Distribution of fix types:
LLM Inference (fix type)
add missing docstring
                                 161
add missing import
add missing imports
                                  39
add missing docstrings
                                  29
add missing class attributes
                                  28
add missing comments
                                  27
add missing comment
                                  18
add missing config file
                                  17
update camera.py
                                  15
add missing config
                                  13
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

Baseline Stats

```
Most frequently modified filenames:
File Name
vectorized_mobject.py
                           120
mobject.py
                           113
scene.py
                            87
geometry.py
                            83
camera.py
                            60
svg_mobject.py
                            56
tex_mobject.py
                            47
config.py
                            44
constants.py
                            36
coordinate_systems.py
                            36
Name: count, dtype: int64
Distribution of file extensions:
file_extension
               1809
. ру
                 78
.glsl
.rst
                 47
                 34
.yml
.md
                 27
                  9
.txt
.mp4
                  8
                  7
.svg
                  6
.gitignore
.tex
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

Baseline Stats

#### 1.2.3 Structural metrics with radon

For each file, I ran radon on both "before" and "current" versions of the source code and recorded the following structural metrics:

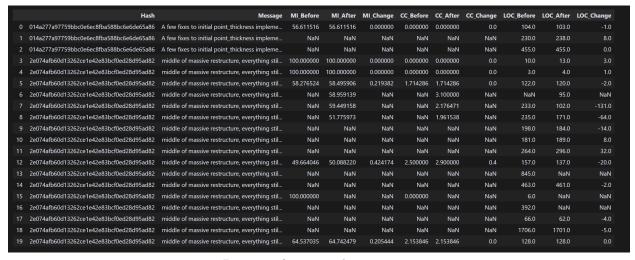
- Maintainability Index (MI) A composite score that combines factors like lines of code, complexity, and comments to indicate how easy a piece of code is to maintain. A higher MI usually means the code is more readable and maintainable.
- Cyclomatic Complexity (CC) A measure of how many independent paths exist through the code, essentially capturing the decision points (like if/else, loops). Higher CC means the code is more complex and harder to test thoroughly.
- Lines of Code (LOC) The raw number of lines in the code. While simple, this metric is a direct measure of the size of the code and often correlates with the effort required to understand or modify it.

I then computed their deltas: MI\_Change, CC\_Change, LOC\_Change. I caught any parsing exceptions and recorded them as NaN (those propagate to "Unknown" later). I saved these results to results/structural\_metrics.csv.

The following image show the code implementation for structural metrics computation:

```
def compute_radon_metrics(code):
    """Compute radon metrics: MI, CC, LOC for given source code."""
    if not isinstance(code, str) or code.strip() == "":
        return (np.nan, np.nan, np.nan)
    try:
        mi = float(mi_visit(code, multi=True))
    except Exception as e:
       mi = np.nan
    try:
        cc results = cc visit(code)
        cc = np.mean([block.complexity for block in cc_results]) if cc_results else 0.0
    except Exception as e:
        cc = np.nan
    try:
        loc = radon_analyze(code).loc
    except Exception as e:
       loc = np.nan
    return (mi, cc, loc)
df[['MI_Before', 'CC_Before', 'LOC_Before']] = df['Source Code (before)'].progress_apply(
    lambda x: pd.Series(compute_radon_metrics(x))
df[['MI_After', 'CC_After', 'LOC_After']] = df['Source Code (current)'].progress_apply(
    lambda x: pd.Series(compute_radon_metrics(x))
df['MI_Change'] = df['MI_After'] - df['MI_Before']
df['CC_Change'] = df['CC_After'] - df['CC_Before']
df['LOC_Change'] = df['LOC_After'] - df['LOC_Before']
df.to_csv(f"{output_folder}/structural_metrics.csv", index=False)
```

Code snippet for structural metrics computation



Preview of structural\_metrics.csv

#### 1.2.4 Change magnitude: semantic vs token similarity

To understand how much the code changed between the *before* and *after* versions, I measured change magnitude using two complementary metrics:

- Semantic similarity Computed using CodeBERT embeddings with cosine similarity. This captures whether the two versions of the code still mean the same thing, even if the surface-level tokens look different.
- Token similarity Measured using BLEU with NLTK's tokenizer (with smoothing). This focuses on how closely the literal tokens match between the two code snippets, making it sensitive to formatting and small textual edits.

I added 2 columns for these values to the dataframe and saved the dataset to results/change\_magnitude\_metrics.csv.

The following images show the code implementation for calculating the semantic similarity and token similarity:

```
from transformers import AutoTokenizer, AutoModel
from sklearn.metrics.pairwise import cosine_similarity
import nltk
nltk.download("punkt")
nltk.download("punkt_tab")
tokenizer = AutoTokenizer.from_pretrained("microsoft/codebert-base")
model = AutoModel.from_pretrained("microsoft/codebert-base").to(device)
model.eval()
def safe_str(s):
    if s is None
    if isinstance(s, float) and math.isnan(s):
def mean_pooling(model_output, attention_mask):
    token_embeddings = model_output.last_hidden_state
    input_mask_expanded = attention_mask.unsqueeze(-1).expand(token_embeddings.size()).float()
     return torch.sum(token_embeddings * input_mask_expanded, 1) / torch.clamp(input_mask_expanded.sum(1), min=1e-9)
      ""Compute CodeBERT embedding for given source code."
    if not isinstance(code, str) or code.strip() == '
    return np.zeros((768,)) # Return zero vector
    inputs = tokenizer(code, return_tensors="pt", truncation=True, padding=True, max_length=512)
    with torch.no grad()
       embeddings = outputs.last_hidden_state[:, 0, :].squeeze().cpu().numpy()
beddings = mean_pooling(outputs, inputs['attention_mask']).squeeze().cpu().numpy()
    """Compute semantic similarity between before and after code using CodeBERT embeddings."""
before_code = safe_str(row['Source Code (before)'])
    after_code = safe_str(row['Source Code (current)']
    before_embedding = compute_codebert_embedding(before_code)
    after_embedding = compute_codebert_embedding(after_code)
    if np.linalg.norm(before_embedding) == 0 or np.linalg.norm(after_embedding) == 0:
         return np.nan # Return NaN if either embedding is zero vect
    similarity = cosine_similarity([before_embedding], [after_embedding])[0][0]
    return similarity
```

Code snippet for semantic similarity

```
def compute_token_similarity(row):
    """Compute token similarity between before and after code using BLEU score."""
    before_code = safe_str(row['Source Code (before)'])
    after_code = safe_str(row['Source Code (current)'])

if not before_code or not after_code:
    return np.nan # Return NaN if either code is empty

before_tokens = nltk.word_tokenize(before_code)
    after_tokens = nltk.word_tokenize(before_code)

if len(before_tokens) == 0 or len(after_tokens) == 0:
    return np.nan # Return NaN if tokenization results in empty lists

smooth = nltk.translate.bleu_score.SmoothingFunction()
    bleu_score = nltk.translate.bleu_score.sentence_bleu([before_tokens], after_tokens, smoothing_function=smooth.method1)
    return bleu_score
```

Code snippet for token similarity

|    | Message  | File Name                             | Semantic_Similarity | Token_Similarity |
|----|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 0  | A few fixes to initial point_thickness impleme | constants.py                          | 0.999283            | 0.986973         |
| 1  | A few fixes to initial point_thickness impleme | displayer.py                          | 1.000000            | 0.952839         |
| 2  | A few fixes to initial point_thickness impleme | mobject.py                            | 0.999760            | 0.998018         |
| 3  | middle of massive restructure, everything stil | _initpy                               | 0.997906            | 0.660184         |
| 4  | middle of massive restructure, everything stil | _initpy                               | 0.996067            | 0.701206         |
| 5  | middle of massive restructure, everything stil | animation.py                          | 0.999739            | 0.980059         |
| 6  | middle of massive restructure, everything stil | meta_animations.py                    | NaN                 | NaN              |
| 7  | middle of massive restructure, everything stil | simple_animations.py                  | 0.994631            | 0.252018         |
| 8  | middle of massive restructure, everything stil | transform.py                          | 0.993418            | 0.636833         |
| 9  | middle of massive restructure, everything stil | displayer.py                          | 0.999916            | 0.894411         |
| 10 | middle of massive restructure, everything stil | extract_scene.py                      | 0.999588            | 0.918873         |
| 11 | middle of massive restructure, everything stil | helpers.py                            | 1.000000            | 0.894109         |
| 12 | middle of massive restructure, everything stil | image_mobject.py                      | 0.999869            | 0.868611         |
| 13 | middle of massive restructure, everything stil | images2gif.py                         | NaN                 | NaN              |
| 14 | middle of massive restructure, everything stil | mobject.py                            | 0.999880            | 0.996650         |
| 15 | middle of massive restructure, everything stil | _initpy                               | NaN                 | NaN              |
| 16 | middle of massive restructure, everything stil | $complex\_multiplication\_article.py$ | 0.997389            | 0.655118         |
| 17 | middle of massive restructure, everything stil | generate_logo.py                      | 0.999659            | 0.943530         |
| 18 | middle of massive restructure, everything stil | moser_main.py                         | 1.000000            | 0.995177         |
| 19 | middle of massive restructure, everything stil | region.py                             | 0.999849            | 0.989585         |

Table preview showing Semantic\_Similarity and Token\_Similarity

#### 1.2.5 Classification and agreement

After computing the similarity scores, I mapped each bug-fix commit into categories of *Major* or *Minor* using simple threshold rules. This step helped in comparing how the two metrics align in their judgment of the same change.

- Semantic similarity  $\geq 0.80 \Rightarrow Minor$ , else Major
- Token similarity  $\geq 0.75 \Rightarrow Minor$ , else Major
- Unknown: if the metric could not be computed (NaN), the classification was recorded as Unknown.

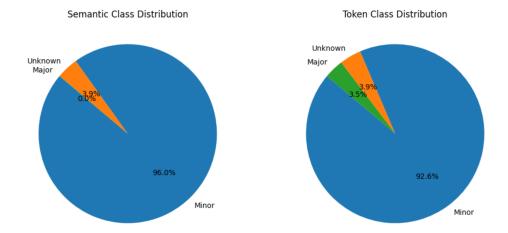
```
df = pd.read_csv(f"{output_folder}/change_magnitude_metrics.csv")

# taken from Lab pdf
SEMANTIC_THRESHOLD = 0.80
TOKEN_THRESHOLD = 0.75

def classify_change(val, threshold):
    # Semantic class
    if not (isinstance(val, float) or isinstance(val, int)) or np.isnan(val):
        return 'Unknown'
    elif val >= threshold:
        return 'Minor'
    else:
        return 'Major'

df['Semantic_Class'] = df['Semantic_Similarity'].apply(lambda x: classify_change(x, SEMANTIC_THRESHOLD))
df['Token_Class'] = df['Token_Similarity'].apply(lambda x: classify_change(x, TOKEN_THRESHOLD))
df.to_csv(f"{output_folder}/final_metrics.csv", index=False)
```

Code snippet for classification



Class Distribution of Semantic\_Class and Token\_Class

Then, I compared the two classifications:

- If both matched, Classes\_Agree = YES
- If they differed, Classes\_Agree = NO
- If either was Unknown, then agreement was also Unknown

```
def check_agreement(row):
    if row['Semantic_Class'] == 'Unknown' or row['Token_Class'] == 'Unknown':
        return 'Unknown'
    return 'YES' if row['Semantic_Class'] == row['Token_Class'] else 'NO'
df['Classes_Agree'] = df.apply(check_agreement, axis=1)

df.to_csv(f"{output_folder}/final_metrics.csv", index=False)
```

Code snippet for agreement check

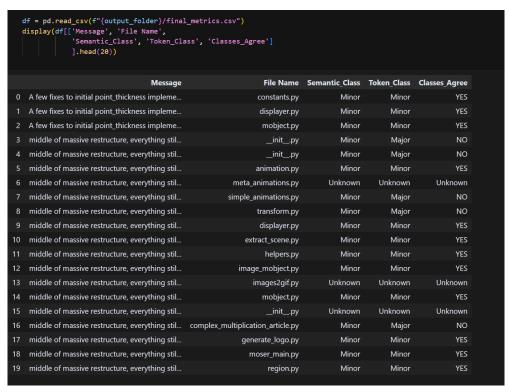
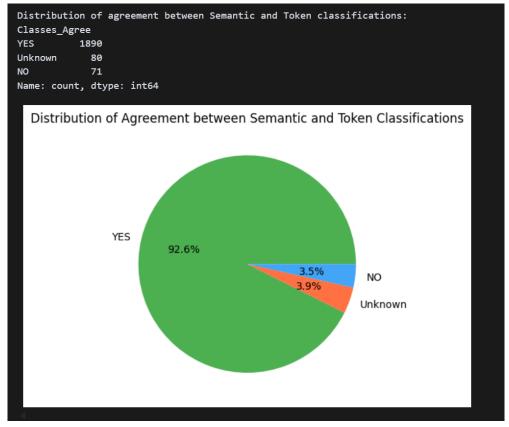


Table showing Agreement column

I exported the final table to results/final\_metrics.csv and plotted pie chart for the distribution of agreement column.



Class Distribution of Agreement

## 1.3 Results and Analysis

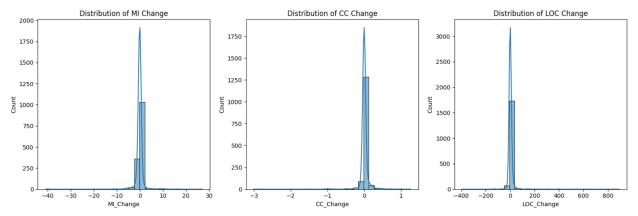
#### 1.3.1 Final Results

Final table link: final\_metrics.csv

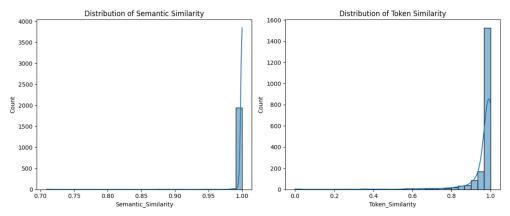
Summary of key metrics like structural changes, semantic similarity, and classification agreement:

| Metric                            | Value  |
|-----------------------------------|--------|
| Mean MI_Change                    | -0.13  |
| Mean CC_Change                    | 0.02   |
| Mean LOC_Change                   | 4.5    |
| Mean Semantic Similarity          | 0.9992 |
| Mean Token Similarity             | 0.9596 |
| Semantic Classification (Minor)   | 96.0%  |
| Semantic Classification (Major)   | 0.1%   |
| Semantic Classification (Unknown) | 3.9%   |
| Token Classification (Minor)      | 92.6%  |
| Token Classification (Major)      | 3.5%   |
| Token Classification (Unknown)    | 3.9%   |
| Agreement (YES)                   | 92.6%  |
| Agreement (NO)                    | 3.5%   |

#### 1.3.2 Visualizations



Bar plots for Distribution of structural metrics



Bar plots for Distribution of Semantic and Token Similarity

#### 1.4 Discussion and Conclusion

During this lab, I encountered a few challenges that slowed me down at first. One issue was that Radon sometimes failed when analyzing code written in older versions of Python, which meant I had to either skip those snippets or handle errors gracefully. Another challenge was that Radon itself was a completely new library for me, so I had to spend time going through its documentation and experimenting before I could use it confidently. I also ran into problems with the NLTK tokenizer setup – the lab notebook would throw runtime errors until I figured out that the punkt package needed to be downloaded separately.

This lab helped me learn a lot. I now have a much better understanding of **structural metrics** like Maintainability Index (MI), Cyclomatic Complexity (CC), and Lines of Code (LOC), and how they can reflect code quality changes. On the other hand, exploring **semantic similarity with CodeBERT** and **token similarity with BLEU** showed me how different perspectives can highlight different aspects of the same bug fix.

Overall, this lab felt like a natural extension of Lab 2. It pushed me to look beyond raw diffs and I learnt how we can classify a change/bugfix as "major" or "minor" by combining structural and semantic metrics.

#### 1.5 References

- [1] Radon documentation
- [2] CodeBERT model (Hugging Face)
- [3] NLTK tokenizer
- [4] Lab Document (Google Doc)