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Requirements of Automated Analysis Tools

Types of tools

Stateless dynamic analysis (Anaconda, Valgrind, grep)

- Use launch command and build command
- Build the tool

Static analysis (Facebook infer)

- Use build command
- Do not build

Other (hilite - test case geenration)

- Does not need an SUT, just a payload or an artifact
- _hus no build or launch command, maybe use the title

Statefull analysis or combination of tools (perun)

- Multiple analysis requests on the same SUT - easiest and the most easy to use
- *Alternative is capturing state in artifacts and then transferring those around*

General steps for tools

Before analysis

- setup the tool
 - install tool [outside of the adapter]
 - Create auto plan using XML config

When requesting analysis

- Get SUT to the server and build
 - Post to compilation adapter with build command and launch command
- Configure the tool
 - Conf files with the SUT
 - Or add conf files as input parameters
 - Or add an option to create a file in the SUT directory before the analysis
- Specify tool input parameters and execute
 - Defined in the auto plan with commandline positions
 - SUT launch command can be fetched by the adapter
 - Set environmental variables
 - *Maybe an input parser that builds the command string to execute?*
(could remove command line positions from the inputs) [FUTURE IDEA]

During analysis execution

- Check status
 - Get the result or request
- Cancel execution
 - Update or delete the request or result
- *Make execution a priority [FUTURE IDEA]*
 - *Update the request or result?*

After analysis

- Get analysis outputs
 - Currently get all that match regex including their contents
 - Or using plugin output filters
- Persist analysis outputs
 - Currently same as output parsers
 - *Future through a “datastorage adapter” [FUTURE IDEA]*
- Get info about execution run
 - State and verdict – if it finished successfully
 - *Add some statistics – oslc monitoring? Run duration, etc. [FUTURE IDEA]*
 - *Maybe implement a way for users to set the vedict – eg. in the output parsers [FUTURE IDEA]*

- Optional clean up
 - Right now create a new workspace (SUT)
 - *Could add a post run clean up script? or a way to reset an SUT / workspace [FUTURE IDEA]*
- Get the whole SUT workspace from the server [TODO]
 - GET the SUT with accept octet-stream
- Run a follow up analysis on top of the current results
 - POST a new request referencing the same SUT

