

BugSage Proposal — AI-Powered Root Cause Analysis Assistant

Purpose

BugSage is an AI tool designed to automate and accelerate **root cause analysis (RCA)** for software bugs and system failures. While many tools assist with bug detection or logging, BugSage focuses on **explaining why** a bug occurred by analyzing code changes, logs, dependencies, and historical patterns — a critical but often manual and time-consuming task.

Workflow

1. Trigger Detection

- Integrates with CI/CD pipelines and issue trackers (e.g., GitHub, Jira).
- Automatically activates when a test fails or a bug is reported.

2. Context Aggregation

- Pulls relevant logs, stack traces, recent commits, and affected modules.
- Uses semantic code analysis to understand the flow and dependencies.

3. Causal Inference Engine

- Applies graph-based reasoning and LLM-powered code understanding to trace the likely origin of the fault.
- Highlights suspect commits, misconfigurations, or race conditions.

4. Explanation & Recommendation

- Generates a natural language summary of the root cause.
- Suggests targeted fixes or rollback strategies.
- Links to similar past incidents for faster resolution.

5. Team Feedback Loop

- Engineers can validate or refine the RCA.
- BugSage learns from corrections to improve future accuracy.

Impact

- **Reduces RCA time** from hours to minutes, especially in complex systems.
- **Improves team knowledge** by documenting causal chains and fix strategies.
- **Boosts reliability** by identifying systemic patterns across incidents.
- **Enhances onboarding** by helping new engineers understand legacy bugs and architecture quirks.

BugSage transforms RCA from a reactive chore into a proactive, intelligent process — empowering teams to fix smarter, not just faster.