Software Analytics for Continuous Integration

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ABSTRACT

By using continuous integration services, one can automate the process of building a system and making it run against existing test suites. However, as it can take a substantial amount of time for a system to be built and ran against test sets, it would be advantageous to know ahead of time whether a build is going to pass or fail. In this paper we show that it's possible to predict, with over 90% precision and accuracy, the status of a build using only commit data, such as commit churn and lines of code added. Moreover, we also show that can be achieved in a relative short amount of time, making just-in-time build prediction a feasible and desirable option. With those, it's possible for developers to alter their changes before triggering a build, thus increasing their chances of a successful build and consequently saving resources and time.

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General Terms

Theory

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1. INTRODUCTION

Continuous integration plays an important part of the entire agile development process[].

Research Questions: 1: Is it possible to predict a build status using only static commit data?

RQ2? If yes, can we also do so using just the project data, without transfer learning?

2. RELATED WORK

3. METHODOLOGY

- 1. Dataset
- 2. Data preprocessing
- 3. Algorithms used

4. RESULTS

5. THREATS TO VALIDITY

Open source data

Citation of Einstein paper [1].

6. CONCLUSIONS AND FUTURE WORK

Future: Private data Discover what made the build fail

7. REFERENCES

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