

Automatic Test Case Generation To Maximize Def-Use Coverage

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Section 1

Motivation

Problem Statement

For a given *function*, generate *unit test cases* which maximize *def-use* coverage.

Related Work

Tools like PEX[1], KLEE[2] can generate test suites with high code coverage.

Code Coverage

A number of metrics can be used to measure code coverage [3].

- ▶ Function Coverage
- ▶ Branch Coverage
- ▶ Condition Coverage
- ▶ Path Coverage

Comparison with Existing Work

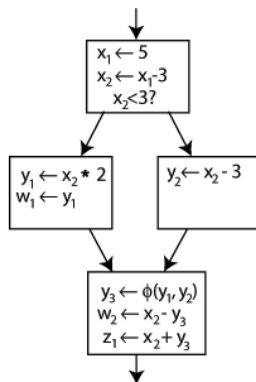
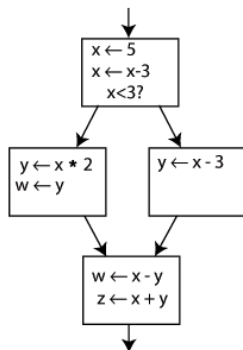
Def-Use Coverage¹ like Path Coverage cannot be quantified directly and have not been extensively studied.

¹defined later

Section 2

Preliminaries

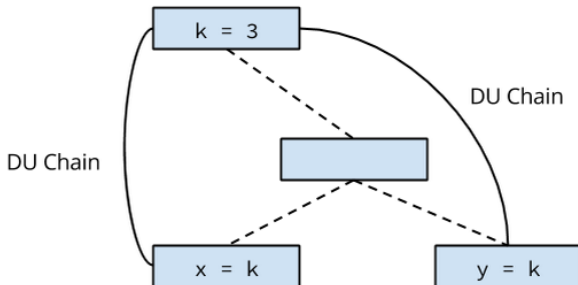
Every variable has a single definition.²



²Images from Wikipedia

DU Chains

Each definition of a variable is linked with its usage in a SSA graph.

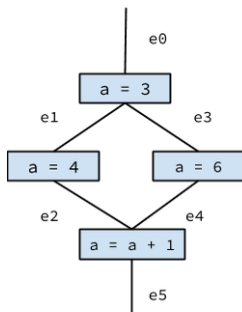


HotPath SSA

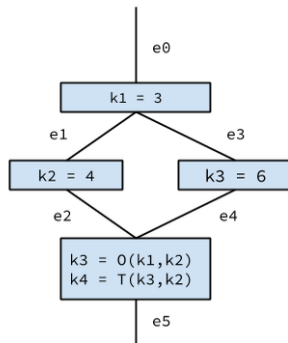
HotPath SSA [4] merges dataflow information with the control flow graph and enables a variety of optimizations.

HotPath SSA

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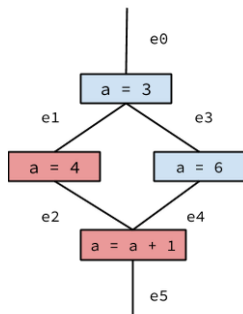
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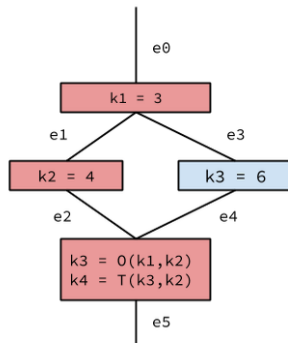
HPSSA

HotPath SSA

Hot and Cold Edges, Hot Blocks and Cold Blocks.



Control Flow



HPSSA

HotPath SSA

In Figure, e_0, e_1, e_2, e_5 are hot edges and e_3, e_4 are cold edges. Hot blocks have been indicated by a red tone and cold blocks have been indicated by a blue tone. Also, e_0 and e_5 are the starting and terminating edges of the program and we call them e_{start} and e_{end} for convinience.

Aside

Why care about DU coverage?

Section 3

Automatic Test Case Generation

Problem Statement

Given an HPSSA Graph $G = (V, E)$, find a path $e_1 \dots e_m$ which maximizes du coverage.

where :

$e_i = \text{edges}, \quad \forall i \in \{1 \dots m\}$

$v_j = \text{basic blocks}, \quad \forall j \in \{1 \dots n\}$

Objective

Maximize the number of cold variables on any path.

Aside

How does this increase DU coverage?

Formulation 1

Intuition: Maximize the number cold blocks on any path.

Formulation 1

$$\max \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i \times e_i$$

where :

$$\omega_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{hot block} \\ 100 & \text{cold block} \end{cases}$$

Formulation 1

subj to :

$$e_i \leq 1, \quad \forall i \in \{1 \dots m\}$$

$$e_{start} = 1$$

$$e_{end} = 1$$

$$\sum v_{e_{incoming}} = \sum v_{e_{outgoing}} \quad \forall v \in \{1 \dots n\}$$

Formulation 2

Intuition: Maximize the number of cold edges on any path.

Formulation 2

$$\max \sum_{i=1}^n \tau_i \times e_i$$

where :

$$\tau_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{hot edge} \\ 100 & \text{cold edge} \end{cases}$$

Formulation 2

subj to :

$$e_i \leq 1, \quad \forall i \in \{1 \dots m\}$$

$$e_{start} = 1$$

$$e_{end} = 1$$

$$\sum v_{e_{incoming}} = \sum v_{e_{outgoing}} \quad \forall v \in \{1 \dots n\}$$

$$\sum v_{e_{coldpair_incoming}} = \sum v_{e_{coldpair_outgoing}} \quad \forall v \in \{1 \dots n\}$$

Bigger Picture

KLEE, SMT Solvers, Test Case Generation.

Unwanted Paths

Remove two kinds of paths:

- ▶ Explored Paths
- ▶ Infeasible Paths

Explored Paths

For an explored path $e_1 \dots e_n$, we add the constraint:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n e_i \leq n - 1$$

Infeasible Paths

For an infeasible path on edges $e_1 \dots e_n$, we compute the *UNSAT Core* $e_l \dots e_m$ and add constraint:

$$\sum_{i=l}^m e_i \leq l - m + 1$$

Section 4

Future

Present Work

A first implementation has been tested for intra-procedural unit test cases.

Future Work

- ▶ Compare performance on standard test suites.
- ▶ Complete the implementation of UNSAT Core on KLEE.
- ▶ Generalize the implementation to inter-procedural test cases.

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The End

Section 5

Insight

Merging of Blocks.

Splitting of Blocks.