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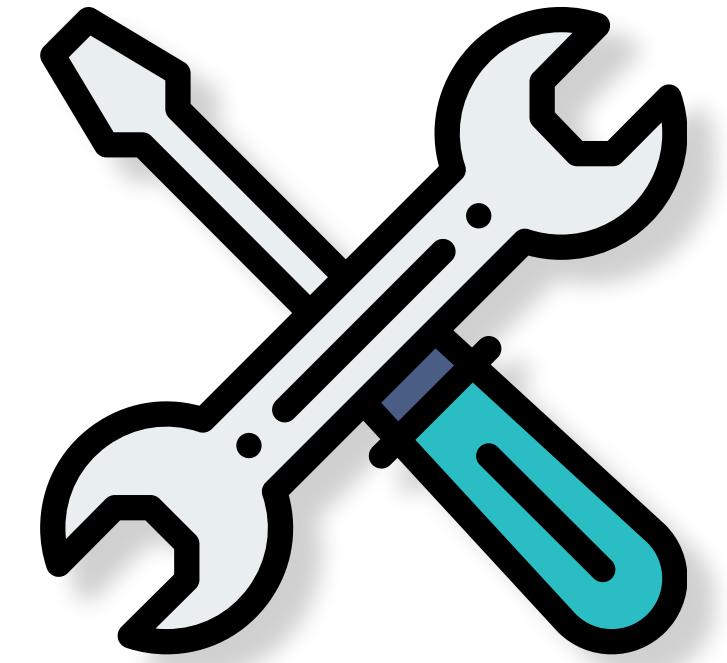
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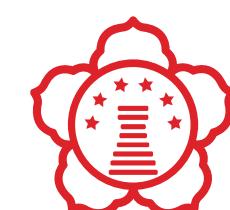
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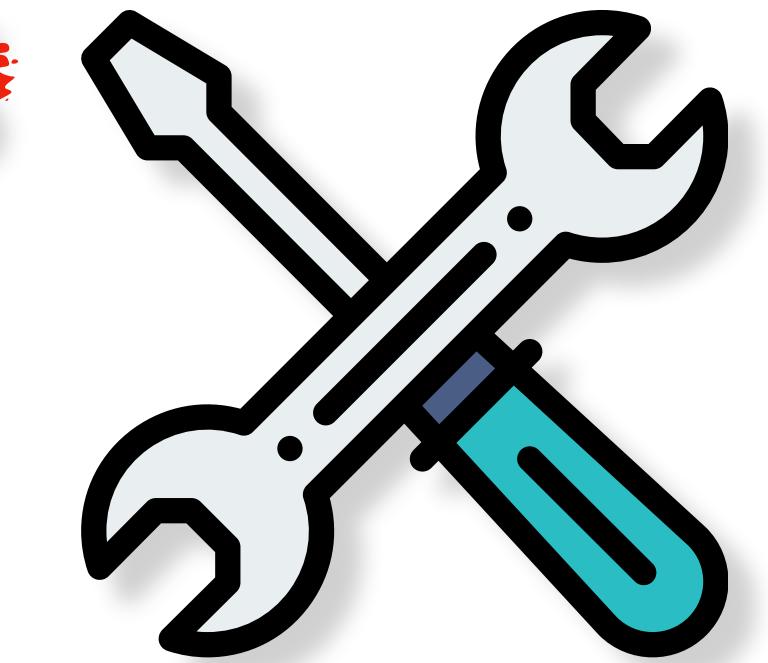
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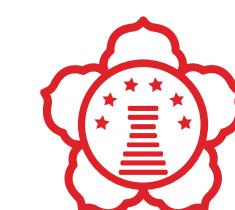
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Automated Program Repair



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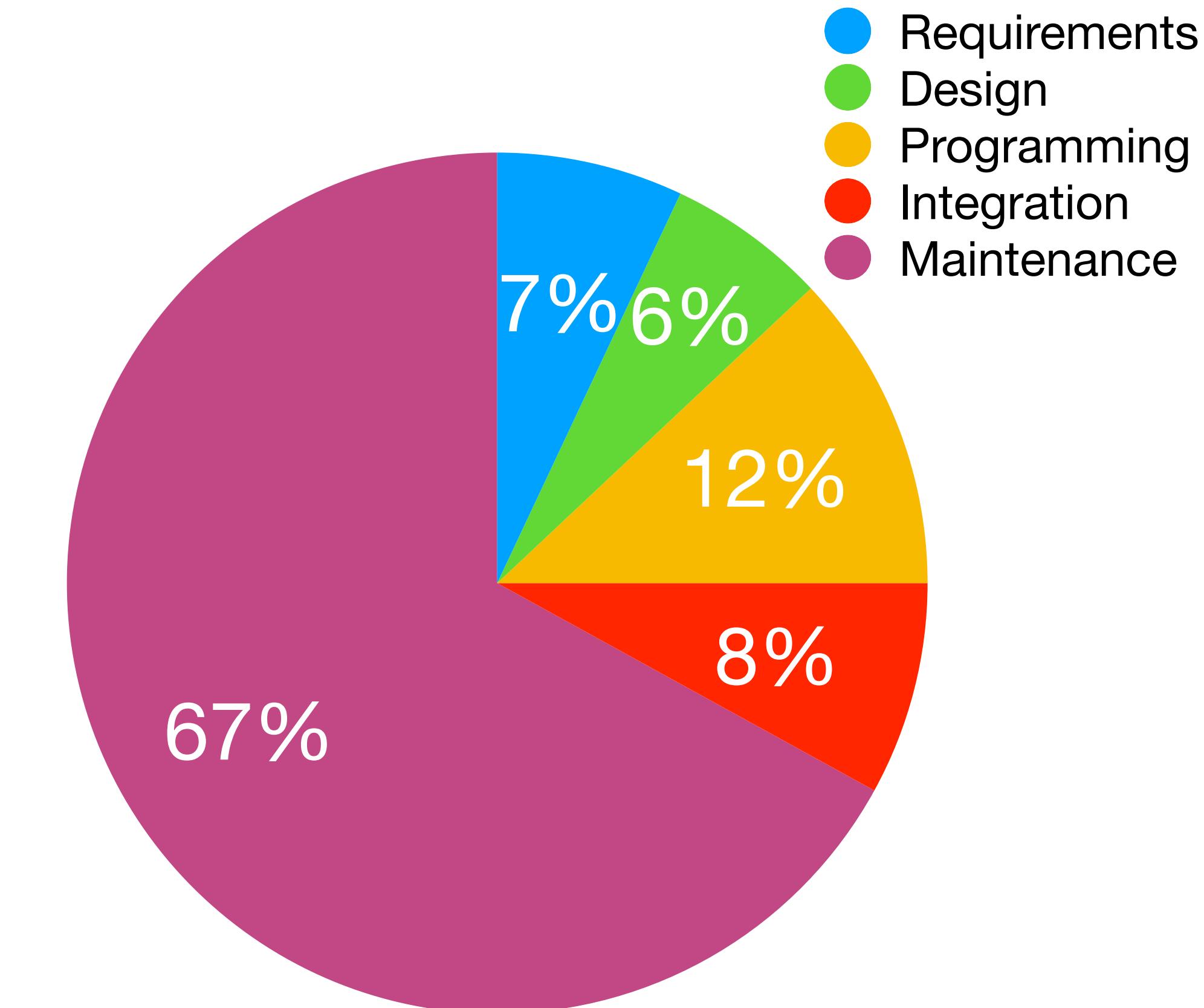
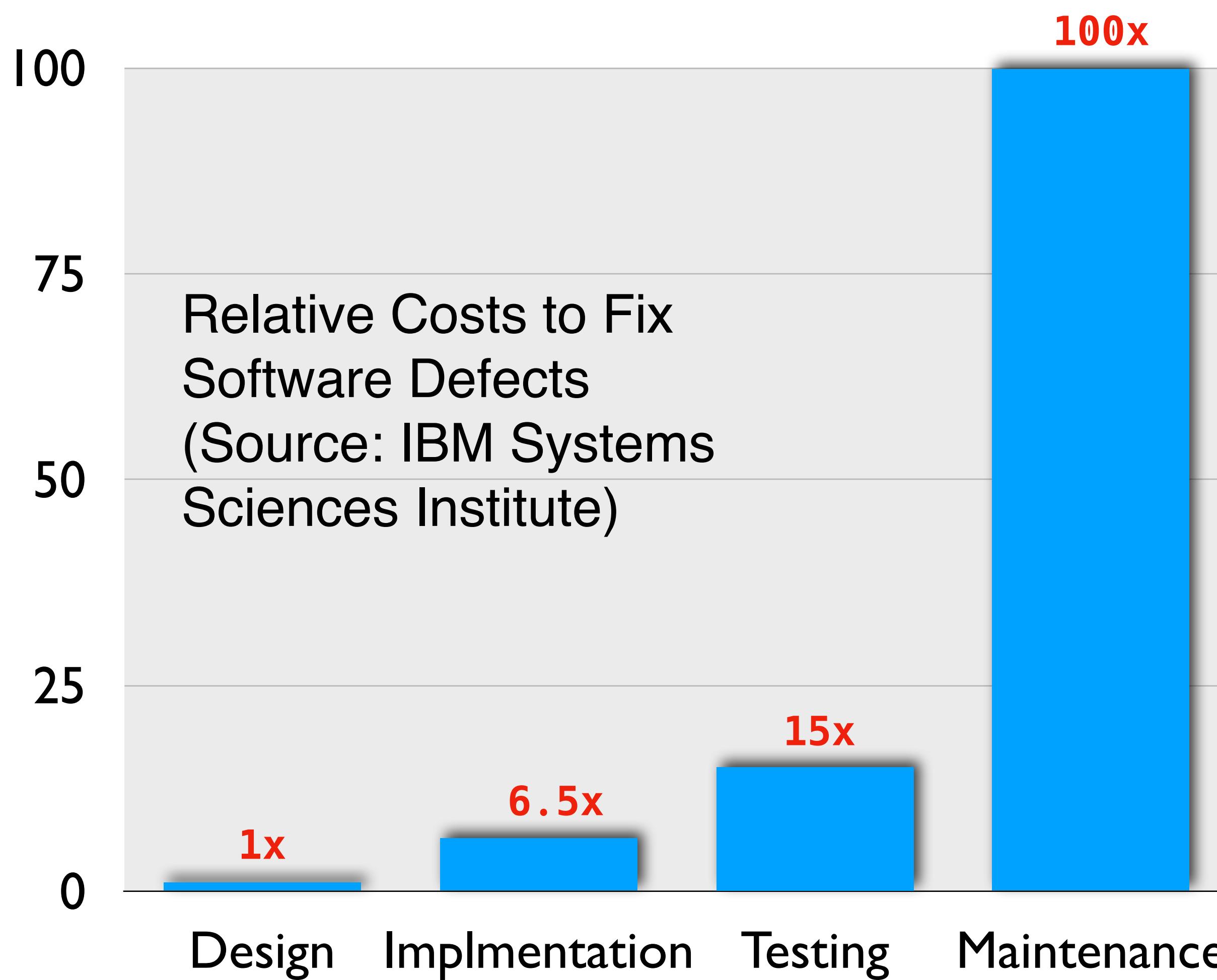
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Debugging



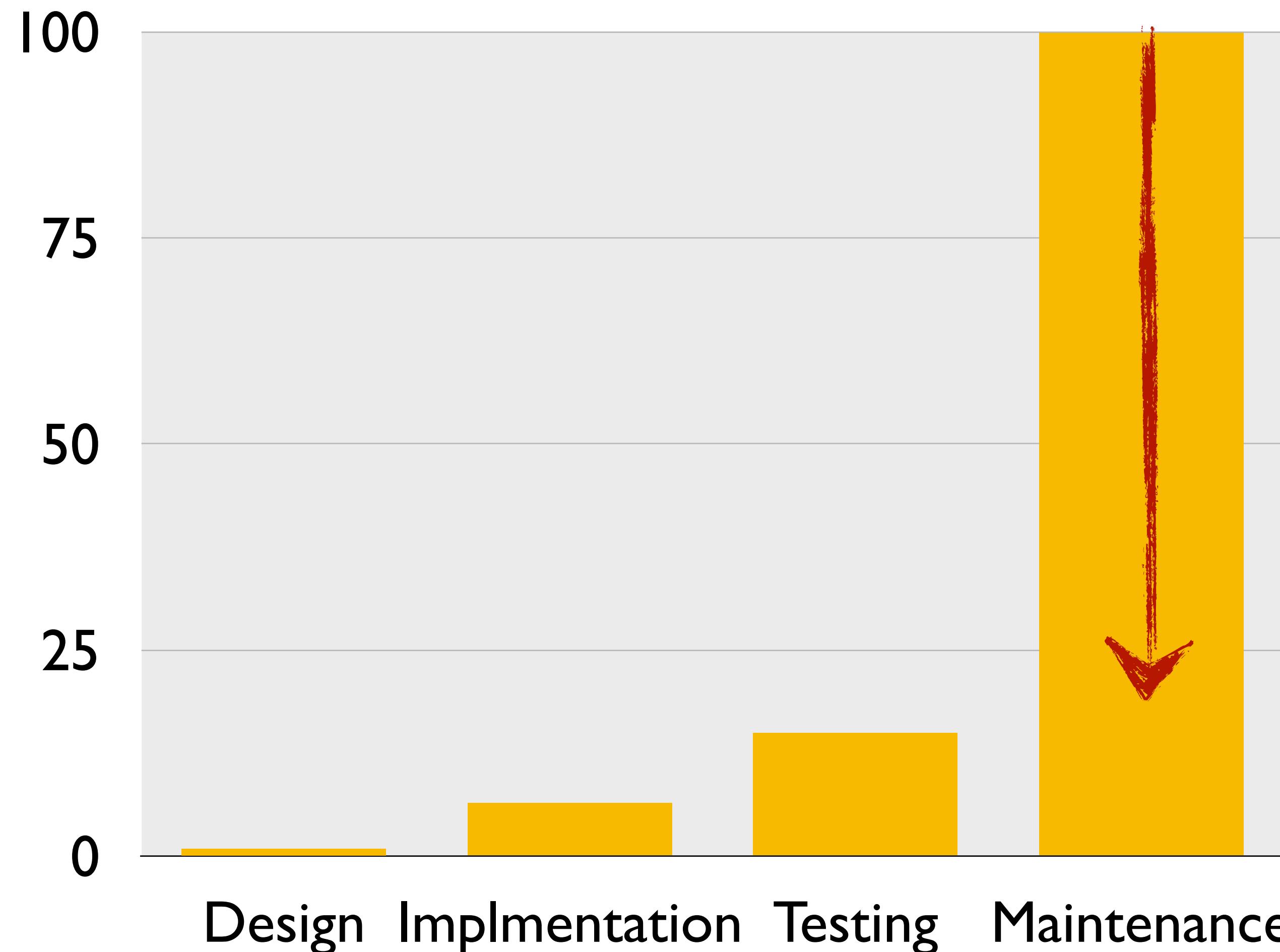
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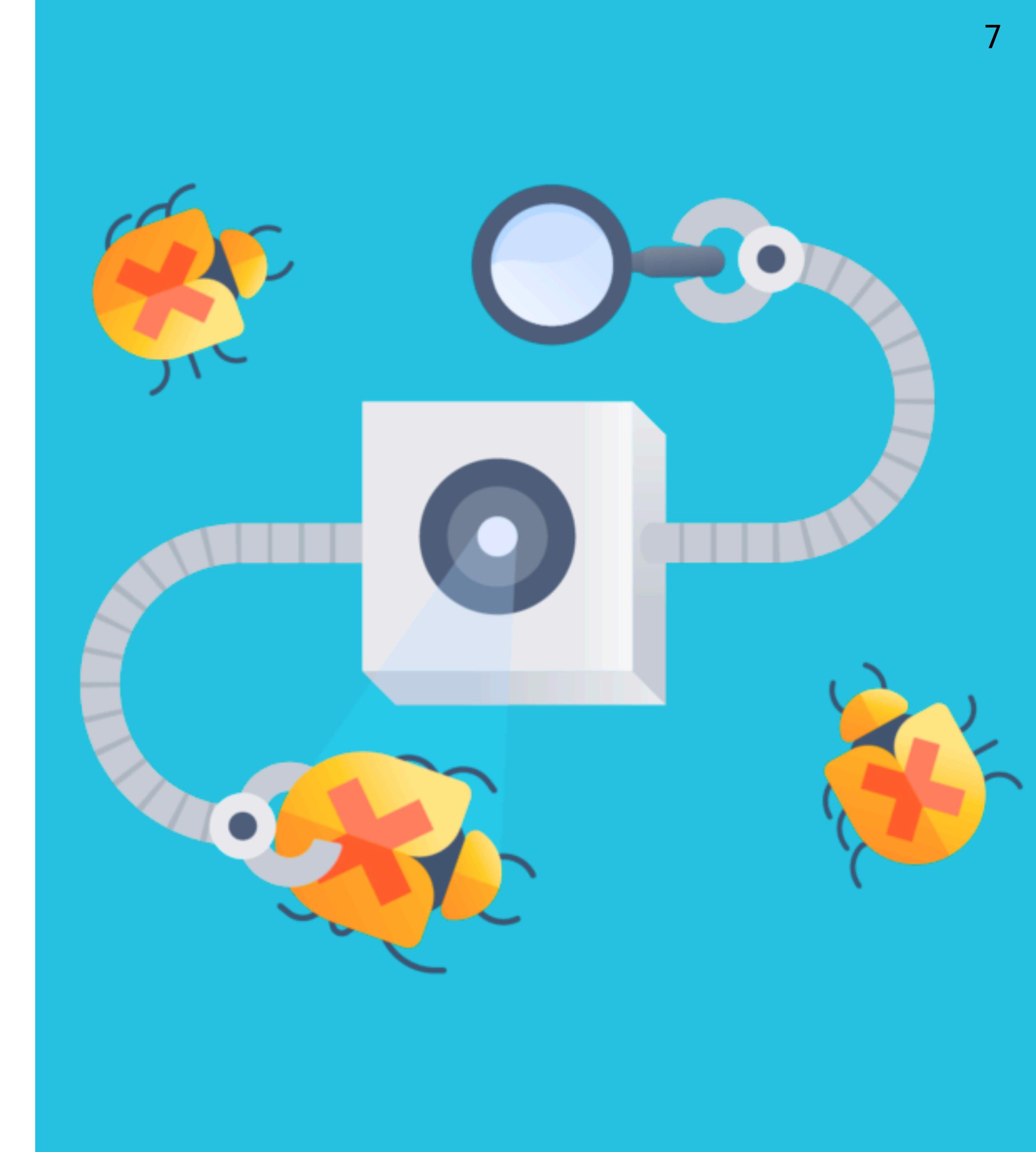
Approximate relative costs of the phases of the software life cycle

Schach, R. (1999), Software Engineering, Fourth Edition, McGraw-Hill, Boston, MA, pp. 11.

Goal of My Research



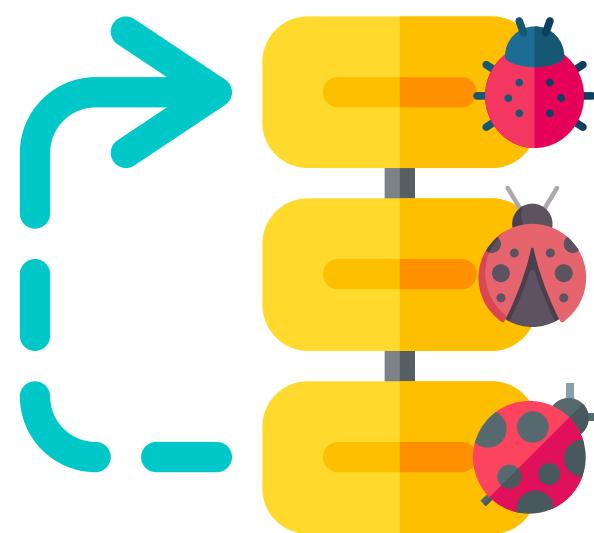
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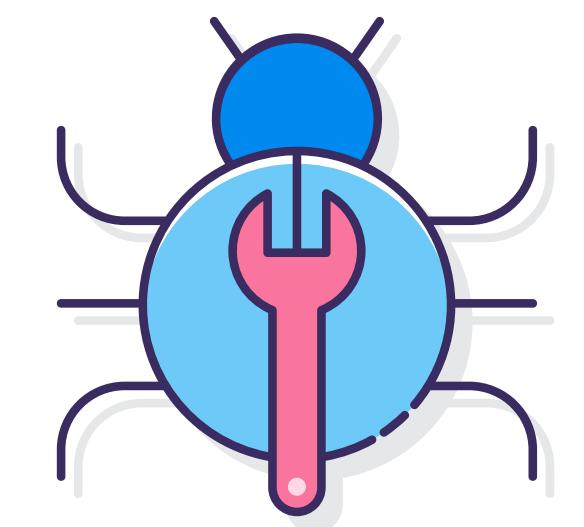
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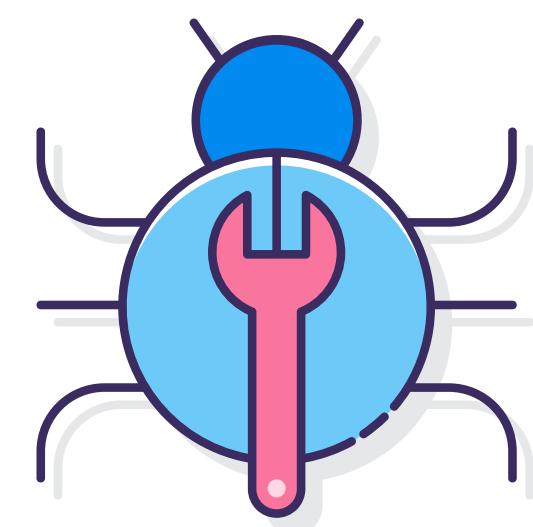
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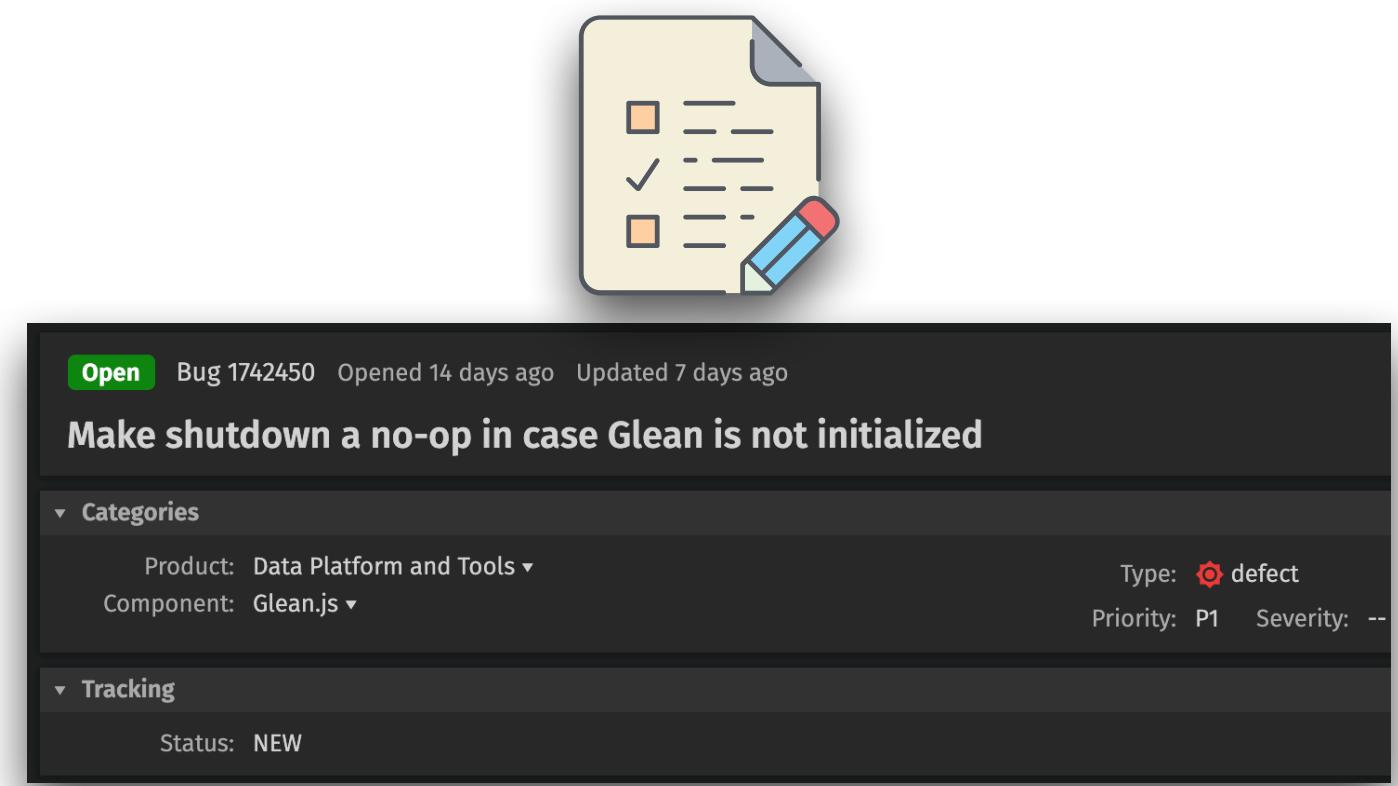
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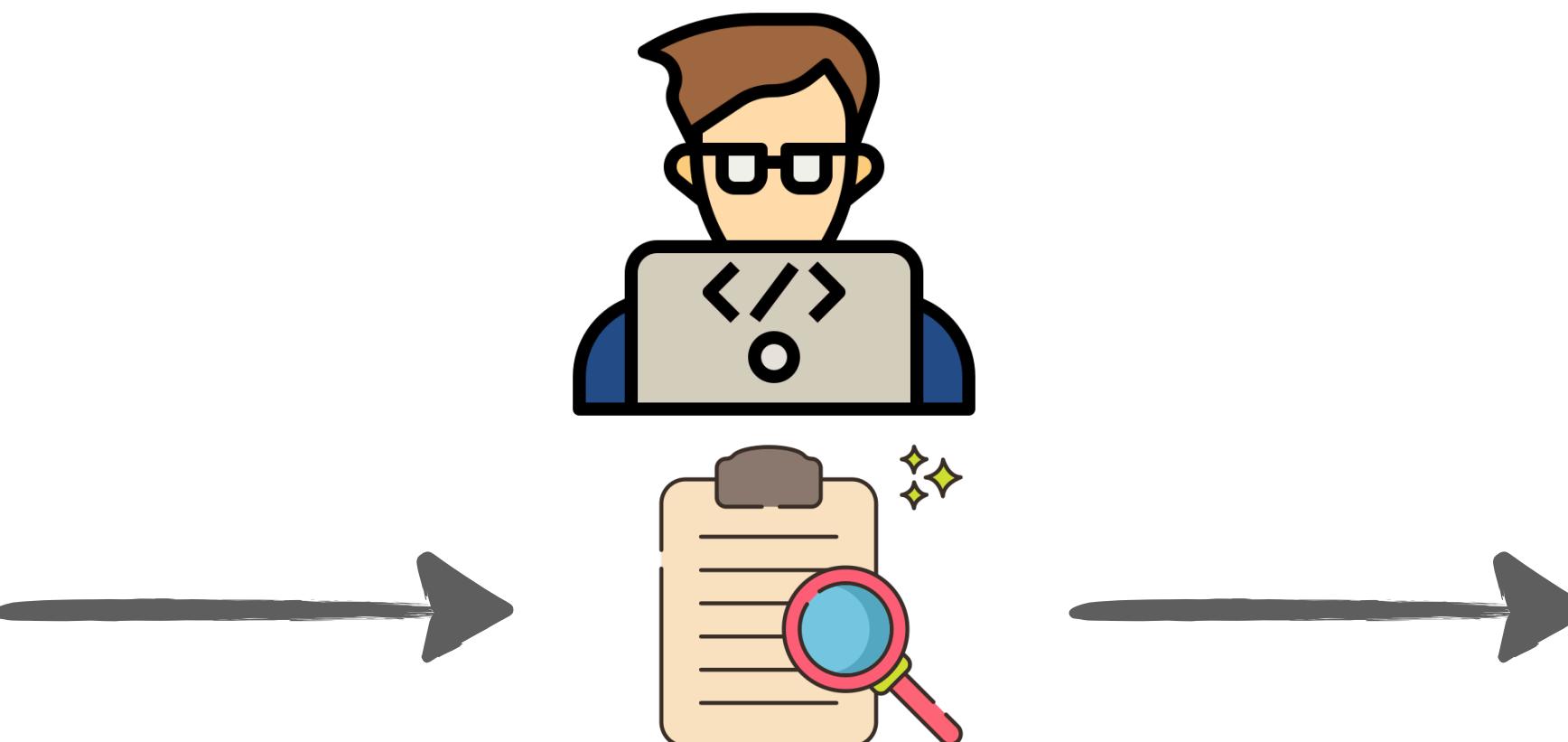
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Fixing one bug



Bug
Reports

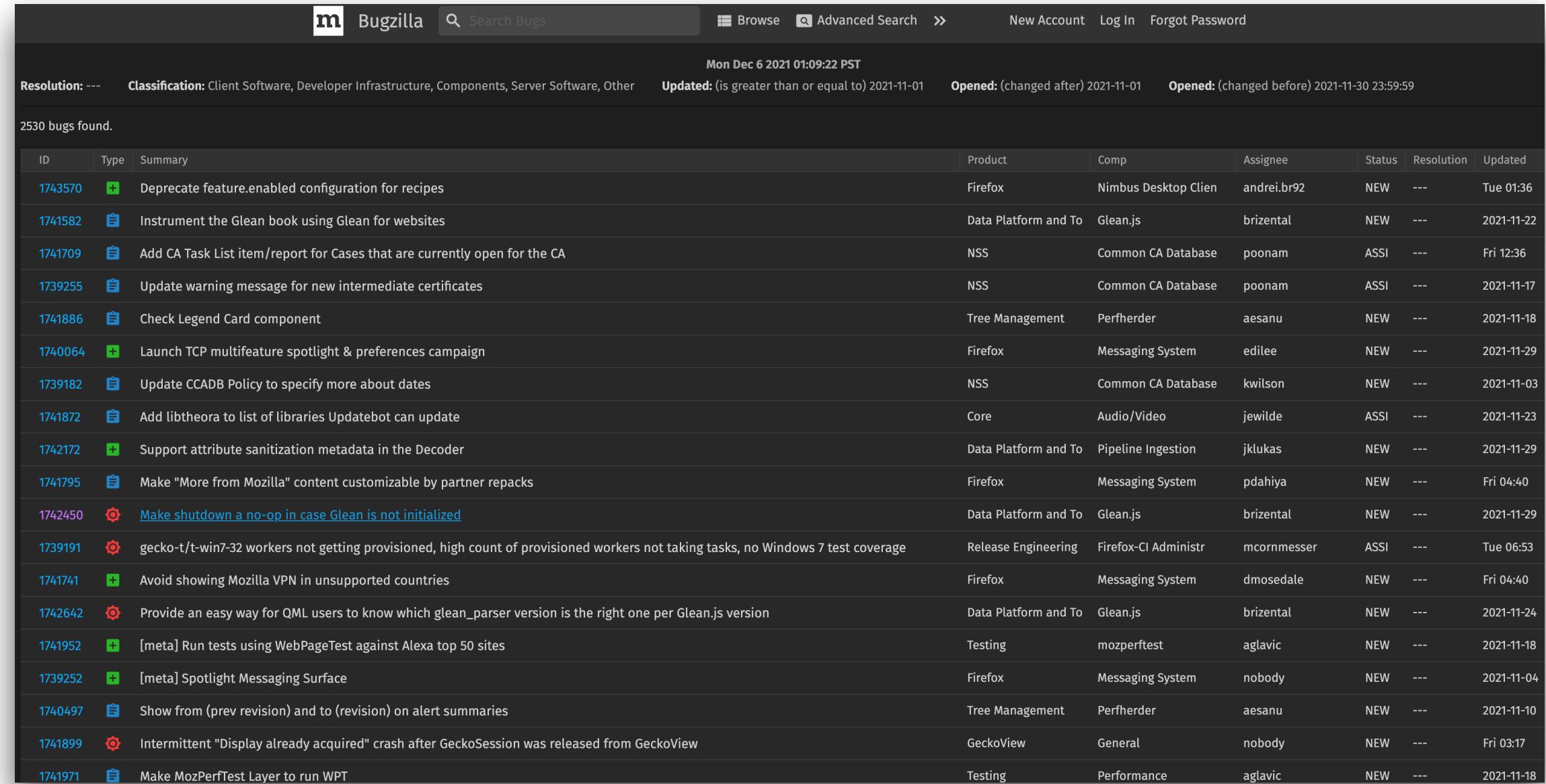


Inspection

```
import java.io.IOException;
public class TomcatEmbedded {
    private static final String EMPTY = "";
    public static void main(String... args)
        throws Exception {
        File baseFolder = new File(System.getProperty("user.dir"));
        File appsFolder = new File(baseFolder, "apps");
        Tomcat tomcat = new Tomcat();
        tomcat.setBaseDir(baseFolder.getAbsolutePath());
        tomcat.setPort(8080);
        tomcat.getHost().setAppBase(appsFolder.getAbsolutePath());
        // Call the connector to create the default connector.
        tomcat.getConnector();
        tomcat.addWebapp(EMPTY, docBase: ".");
        Wrapper wrapper = tomcat.addServlet(EMPTY, servletName: "hello", new HelloServlet());
        wrapper.setLoadOnStartup(1);
        wrapper.addMapping( s: "/");
        tomcat.start();
        tomcat.getServer().await();
    }
}
```

Source code
files

Fixing *thousands* of bugs?



The screenshot shows a Bugzilla search results page with the following details:

- Mon Dec 6 2021 01:09:22 PST**
- Resolution:** ---
- Classification:** Client Software, Developer Infrastructure, Components, Server Software, Other
- Updated:** (is greater than or equal to) 2021-11-01
- Opened:** (changed after) 2021-11-01
- Opened:** (changed before) 2021-11-30 23:59:59

2,530 bugs found.

ID	Type	Summary	Product	Comp	Assignee	Status	Resolution	Updated
1743570	bug	Deprecate feature.enabled configuration for recipes	Firefox	Nimbus Desktop Client	andrei.br92	NEW	---	Tue 01:36
1741582	task	Instrument the Glean book using Glean for websites	Data Platform and Tools	Glean.js	brizental	NEW	---	2021-11-22
1741709	task	Add CA Task List item/report for Cases that are currently open for the CA	NSS	Common CA Database	poomam	ASSI	---	Fri 12:36
1739255	task	Update warning message for new intermediate certificates	NSS	Common CA Database	poomam	ASSI	---	2021-11-17
1741886	task	Check Legend Card component	Tree Management	Perfherder	aesanu	NEW	---	2021-11-18
1740064	bug	Launch TCP multifeature spotlight & preferences campaign	Firefox	Messaging System	eduite	NEW	---	2021-11-29
1739182	task	Update CCADB Policy to specify more about dates	NSS	Common CA Database	kwilson	NEW	---	2021-11-03
1741872	task	Add libtheora to list of libraries Updatebot can update	Core	Audio/Video	jewilde	ASSI	---	2021-11-23
1742172	bug	Support attribute sanitization metadata in the Decoder	Data Platform and Tools	Pipeline Ingestion	jklukas	NEW	---	2021-11-29
1741795	task	Make "More from Mozilla" content customizable by partner repacks	Firefox	Messaging System	pdahiya	NEW	---	Fri 04:40
1742450	bug	Make shutdown a no-op in case Glean is not initialized	Data Platform and Tools	Glean.js	brizental	NEW	---	2021-11-29
1739191	bug	gecko-t/t-win7-32 workers not getting provisioned, high count of provisioned workers not taking tasks, no Windows 7 test coverage	Release Engineering	Firefox-CI Administrators	mcornmesser	ASSI	---	Tue 06:53
1741741	bug	Avoid showing Mozilla VPN in unsupported countries	Firefox	Messaging System	dmosedale	NEW	---	Fri 04:40
1742642	bug	Provide an easy way for QML users to know which glean_parser version is the right one per Glean.js version	Data Platform and Tools	Glean.js	brizental	NEW	---	2021-11-24
1741952	task	[meta] Run tests using WebPageTest against Alexa top 50 sites	Testing	mozperftest	aglavic	NEW	---	2021-11-18
1739252	task	[meta] Spotlight Messaging Surface	Firefox	Messaging System	nobody	NEW	---	2021-11-04
1740497	task	Show from (prev revision) and to (revision) on alert summaries	Tree Management	Perfherder	aesanu	NEW	---	2021-11-10
1741899	bug	Intermittent "Display already acquired" crash after GeckoSession was released from GeckoView	GeckoView	General	nobody	NEW	---	Fri 03:17
1741971	task	Make MozPerfTest Layer to run WPT	Testing	Performance	aglavic	NEW	---	2021-11-18

2,530 bugs are reported
to the Mozilla projects
within November 2021.

First Genuine Approach (GenProg)

Automatically Finding Patches Using Genetic Programming *

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Abstract

Automatic program repair has been a longstanding goal in software engineering, yet debugging remains a largely manual process. We introduce a fully automated method for locating and repairing bugs in software. The approach works on off-the-shelf legacy applications and does not require formal specifications, program annotations or special coding practices. Once a program fault is discovered, an extended form of genetic programming is used to evolve program variants until one is found that both retains required functionality and also avoids the defect in question. Standard test cases are used to exercise the fault and to encode program requirements. After a successful repair has been discovered, it is minimized using structural differencing algorithms.

To alleviate this burden, we propose an automatic technique for repairing program defects. Our approach does not require difficult formal specifications, program annotations or special coding practices. Instead, it works on off-the-shelf legacy applications and readily-available testcases. We use genetic programming to evolve program variants until one is found that both retains required functionality and also avoids the defect in question. Our technique takes as input a program, a set of successful positive testcases that encode required program behavior, and a failing negative testcase that demonstrates a defect.

Genetic programming (GP) is a computational method inspired by biological evolution, which discovers computer programs tailored to a particular task [19]. GP maintains a population of individual programs. Computational analogs

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    for (Field field : fieldsList) {  
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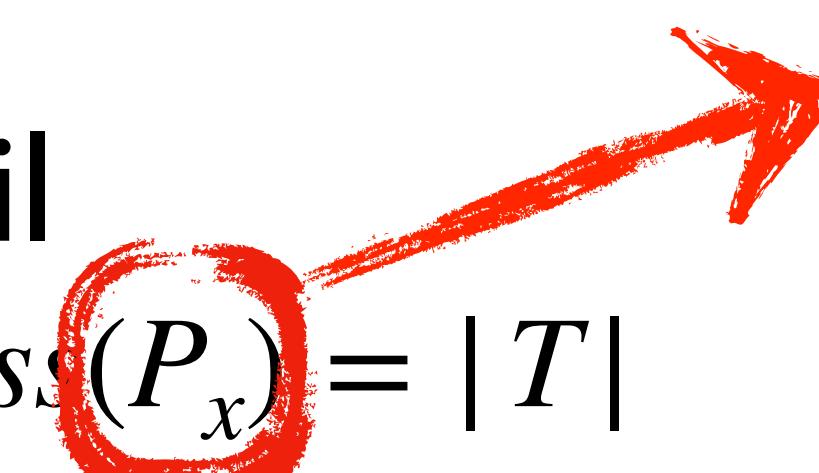
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Semantic-based techniques

A Decade-long Effort

How many bugs are correctly (plausibly) fixed?

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jGenProg	0 (5)	0 (2)	0 (2)	3 (11)	0 (0)	0 (0)	3 (20)	15
GenProg-A	0 (5)	2 (15)	0 (1)	0 (9)	0 (0)	0 (0)	2 (30)	6.7
jMutRepair	1 (4)	2 (5)	0 (2)	2 (11)	0 (0)	0 (0)	5 (22)	22.7
kPAR	3 (13)	2 (10)	1 (18)	4 (22)	0 (0)	0 (1)	10 (63)	15.9
RSRepair-A	0 (4)	2 (22)	0 (3)	0 (12)	0 (0)	0 (0)	2 (41)	4.9
jKali	0 (4)	1 (8)	1 (4)	2 (9)	0 (0)	0 (0)	4 (25)	16
Kali-A	0 (6)	2 (48)	0 (0)	1 (10)	0 (1)	0 (0)	3 (65)	4.6
DynaMoth	0 (6)	N/A	0 (2)	1 (13)	0 (0)	0 (1)	1 (22)	4.5
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ARJA	1 (10)	2 (29)	0 (3)	4 (15)	0 (1)	0 (0)	7 (58)	12.1
SimFix	3 (8)	7 (19)	5 (16)	10 (25)	0 (0)	0 (0)	25 (68)	36.8
FixMiner	5 (14)	0 (2)	0 (2)	7 (15)	0 (0)	0 (0)	12 (33)	36.4
AVATAR	5 (12)	7 (15)	4 (13)	3 (17)	0 (0)	0 (0)	19 (57)	33.3
TBar	7 (16)	3 (12)	6 (21)	8 (23)	0 (0)	0 (0)	24 (72)	30.8

(out of 395 bugs in Defects4J)

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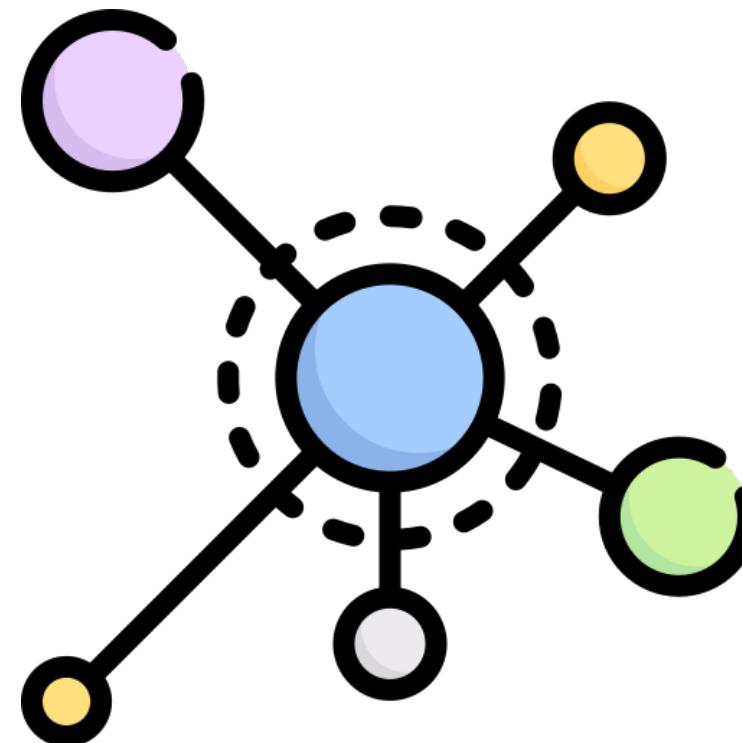
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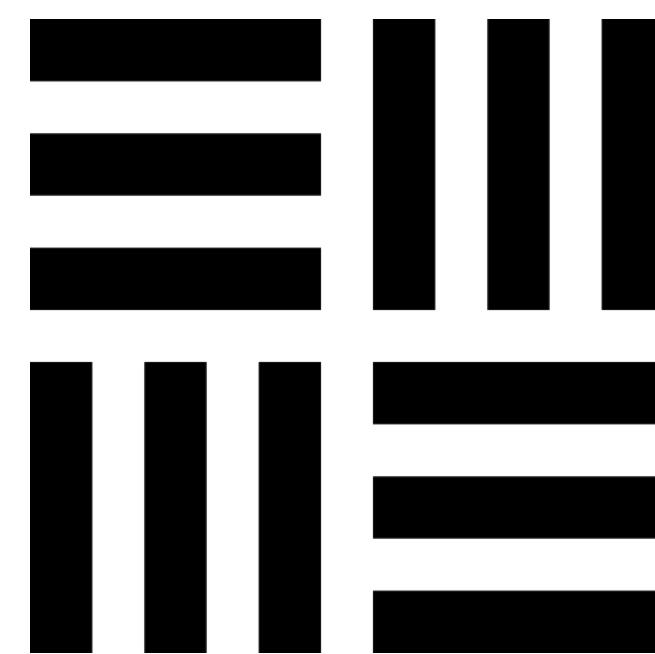
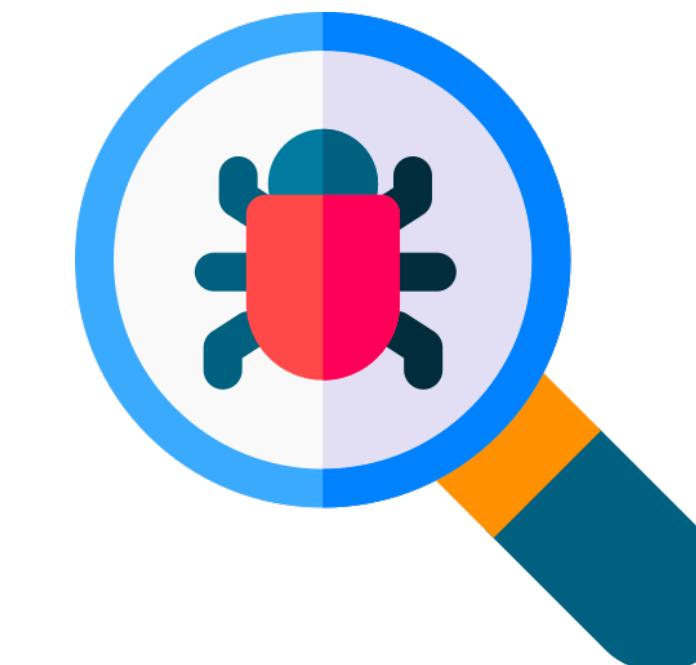
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Challenges

Defect Classes



Fault Localization



Repair Patterns



Correctness

Defect Classes

Chart 19

[← Previous Bug](#) | [Next Bug →](#)

Patterns

Conditional block addition with exception throwing | [Copy/Paste](#) | Missing null check addition

Actions

Conditional (if) branch addition | throw addition | Object instantiation addition

Patched by

ACS

Human Patch

 source/org/jfree/chart/plot/CategoryPlot.java CHANGED

```

@@ -695,6 +695,9 @@ public void setDomainAxes(CategoryAxis[] axes) {
695   695     * @since 1.0.3
696   696     */
697   697     public int getDomainAxisIndex(CategoryAxis axis) {
698 +       if (axis == null) {
699 +           throw new IllegalArgumentException("Null 'axis' argument.");
700 +       }
701   701       return this.domainAxes.indexOf(axis);
702   702   }

```

No comprehensive work on
defect classes vs. program repair.

Fault Localization

Subjects	RP_{pn}	RP	$UbRP'$	$UbRP$	Sen
jGenProg	9	20	2	6	39.2%
jMutRepair	12	22	0	5	27.3%
jKali	13	25	1	2	51%
Nopol	29	31	1	2	71.8%
ACS	2	22	0	16	4.5%
ARJA	46	58	6	11	66.9%
kPAR	29	63	19	33	51.8%
SimFix	26	68	6	29	29.5%
FixMiner	16	33	22	34	56.6%
AVATAR	21	57	11	30	36.8%
TBar	27	72	29	54	45.6%

Liu *et al.*, “A critical review on the evaluation of automated program repair systems,” *Journal of Systems and Software*, vol. 171, p. 110817, Jan. 2021.

Fault localization precision has a high impact on the program repair performance.

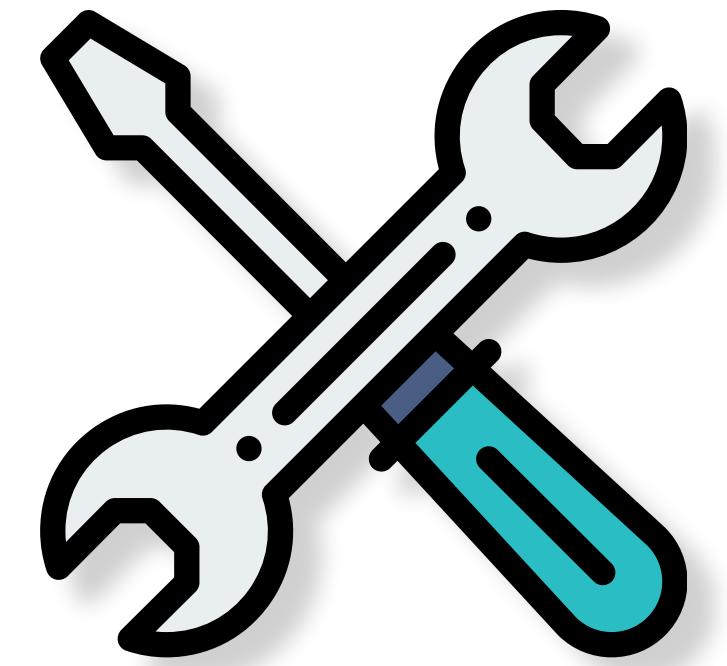
Patch Correctness

	Ground Truth		PATCH-SIM		BERT + LR	
Project	Incorrect	Correct	Incorrect excluded (%)	Correct excluded	Incorrect excluded (%)	Correct excluded
Chart	23	3	14(60.9%)	0	16(69.6%)	0
Lang	10	5	6(54.5%)	0	1(10%)	0
Math	63	20	33(52.4%)	0	23(36.5%)	0
Time	13	2	9(69.2%)	0	3(23.1%)	0
Total	109	30	62(56.3%)	0	43(39.4%)	0

H. Tian *et al.*, “Evaluating Representation Learning of Code Changes for Predicting Patch Correctness in Program Repair,” in *2020 35th IEEE/ACM International Conference on Automated Software Engineering (ASE)*, Sep. 2020, pp. 981–992.

Still too many **incorrect** patches are generated by program repair techniques.

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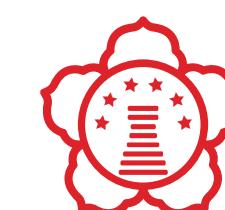


K. Liu, D. Kim, T. F. Bissyandé, S. Yoo, and Y. L. Traon, “Mining Fix Patterns for FindBugs Violations,” *IEEE Transactions on Software Engineering*, vol. 47, no. 1, pp. 165–188, Jan. 2021, doi: [10.1109/TSE.2018.2884955](https://doi.org/10.1109/TSE.2018.2884955).

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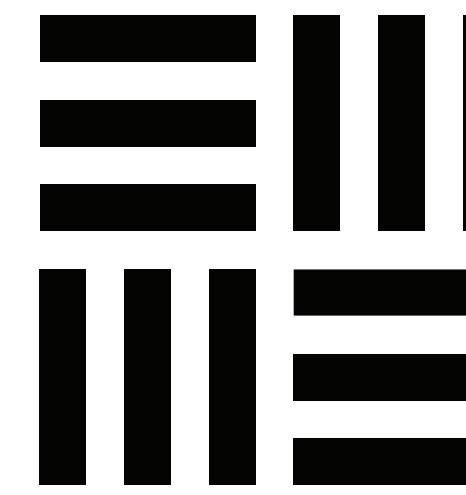
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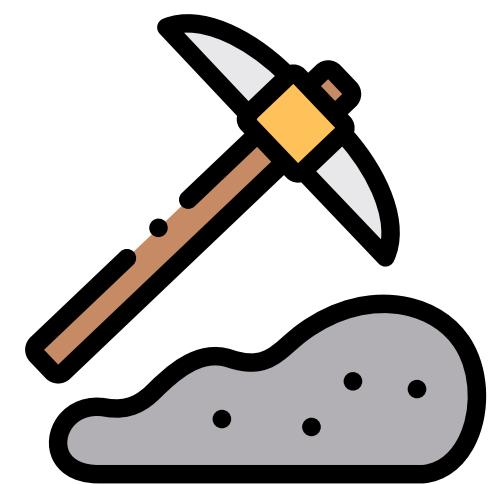
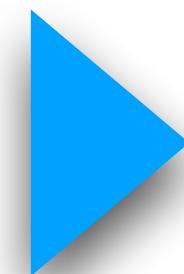
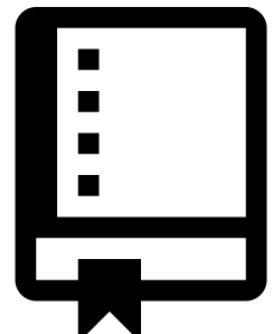
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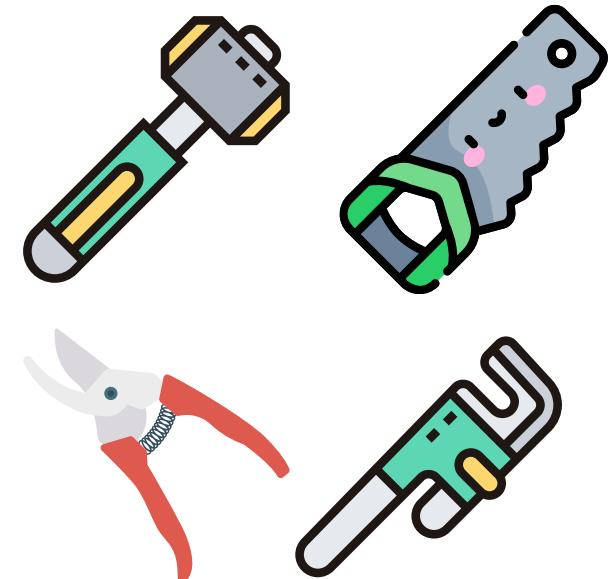
Pattern-based Program Repair

Projects



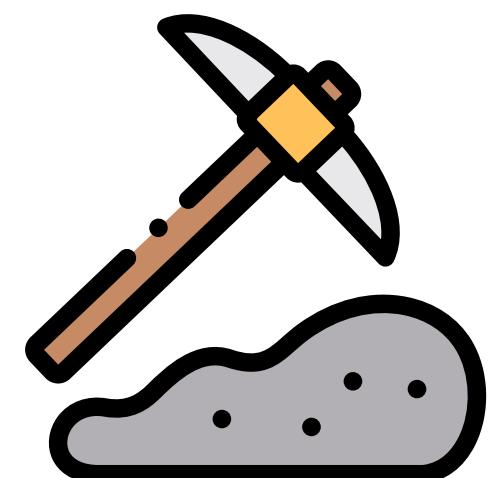
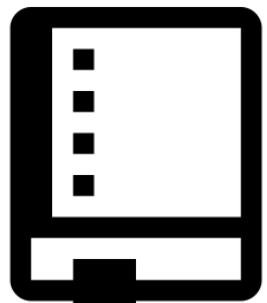
Pattern Mining

Fix Patterns



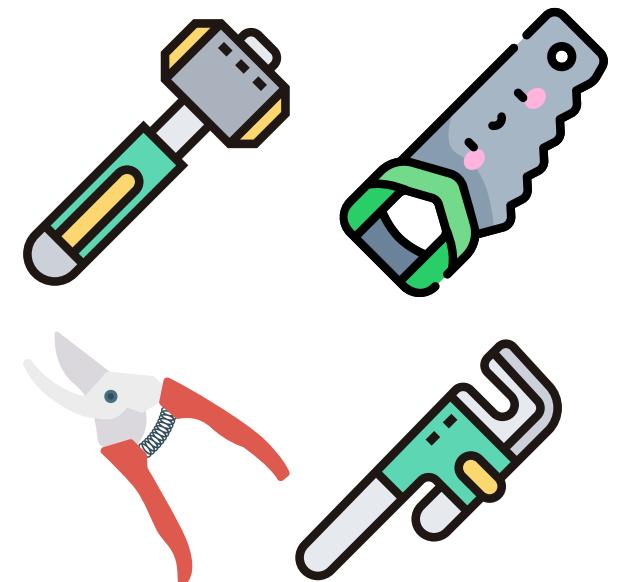
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Buggy Program

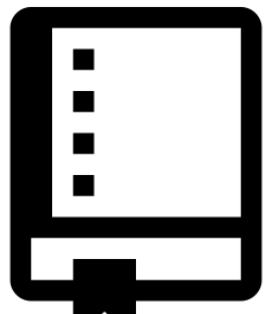
A small illustration of a red ladybug with black spots on a green leaf, positioned next to a window showing Java code. The code contains a bug where it returns null instead of a Field object if the field name matches.

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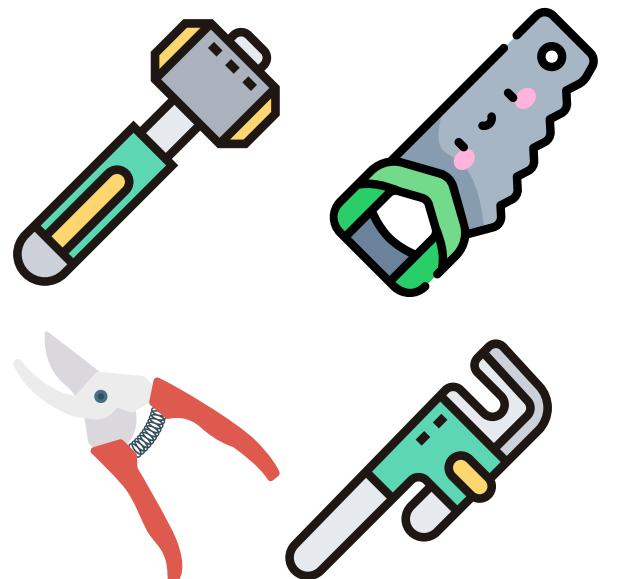
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Projects



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Fix Patterns



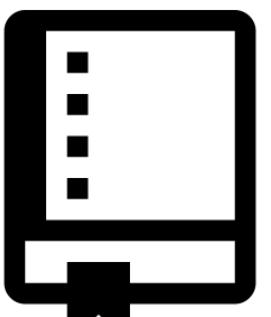
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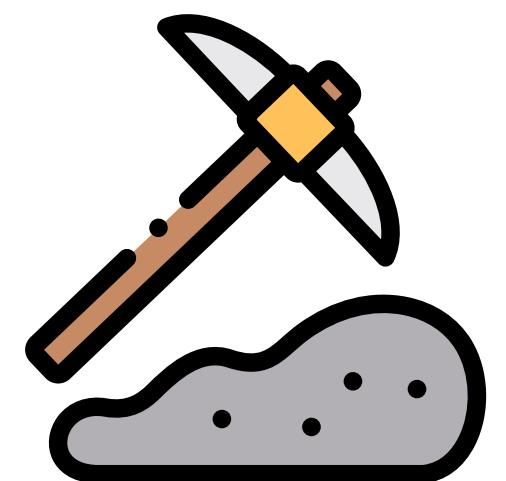
A code editor window showing a Java method named `findsField` that iterates through a list of fields to find one with a matching name. A red ladybug is perched on the bottom right corner of the window.

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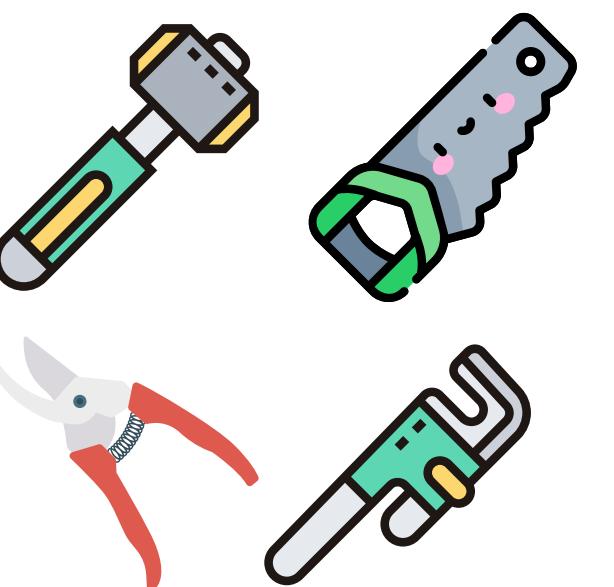
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A cartoon illustration of a red ladybug with black spots and a green leaf, positioned next to the original buggy program code.

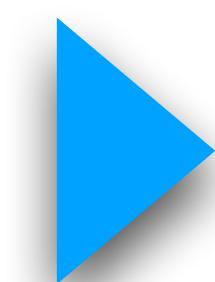
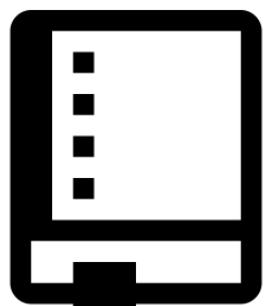
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Fixed Program

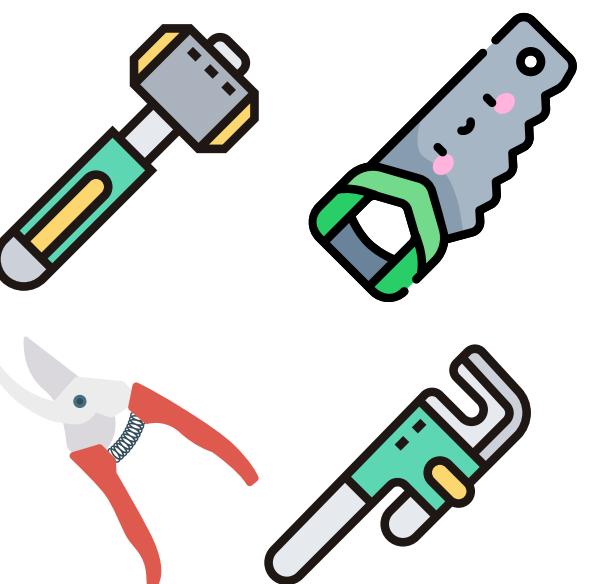
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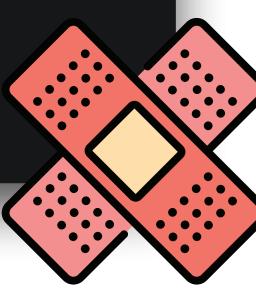
Buggy
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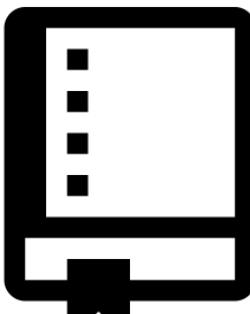


Fixed
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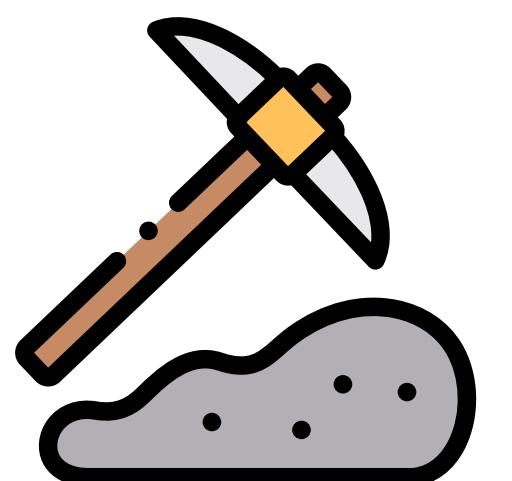
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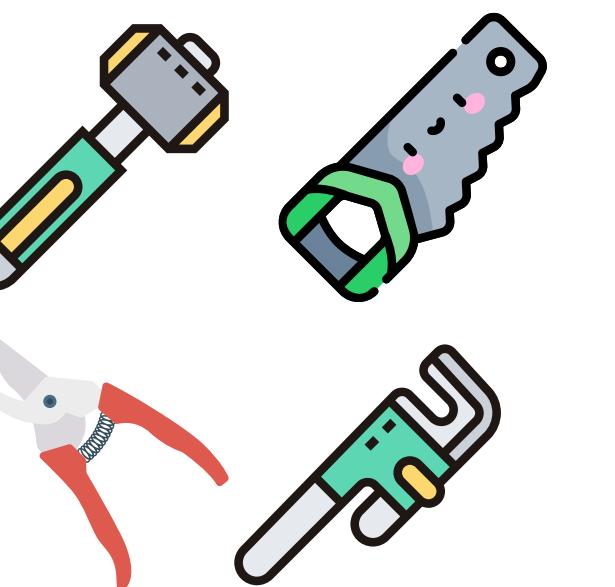
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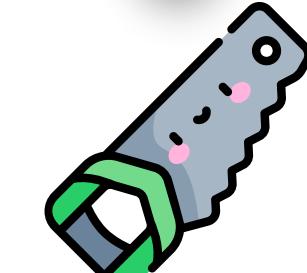
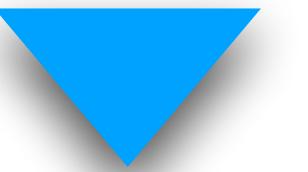
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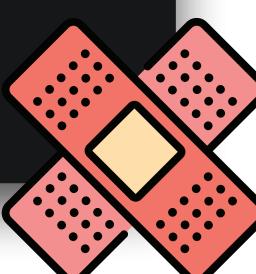
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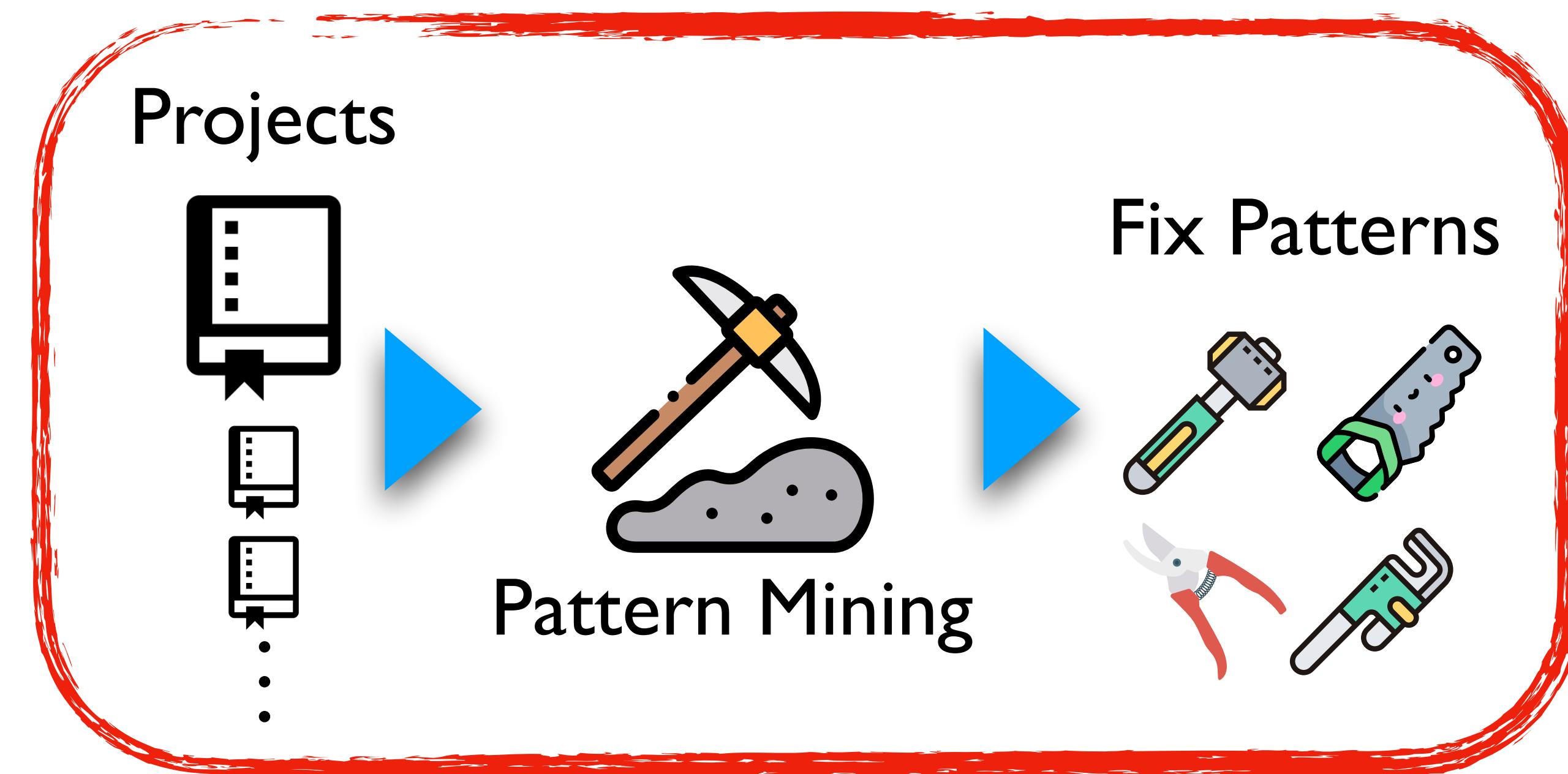
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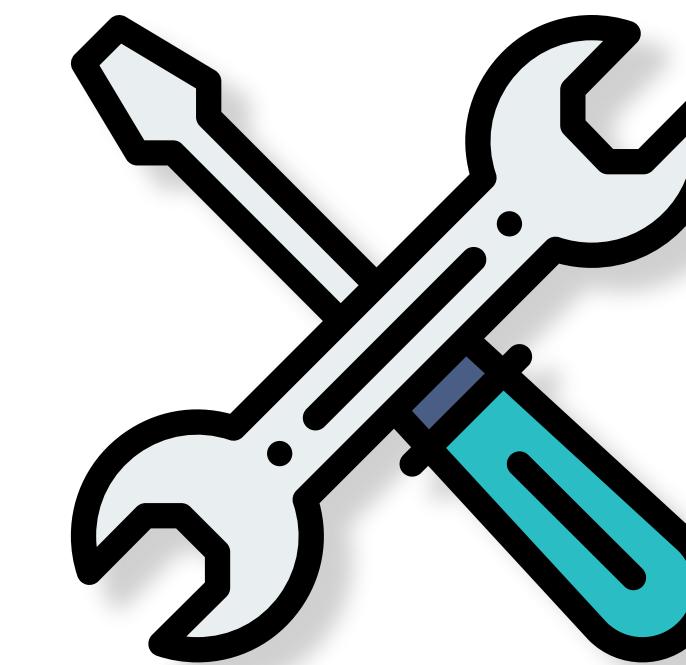
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Fixed
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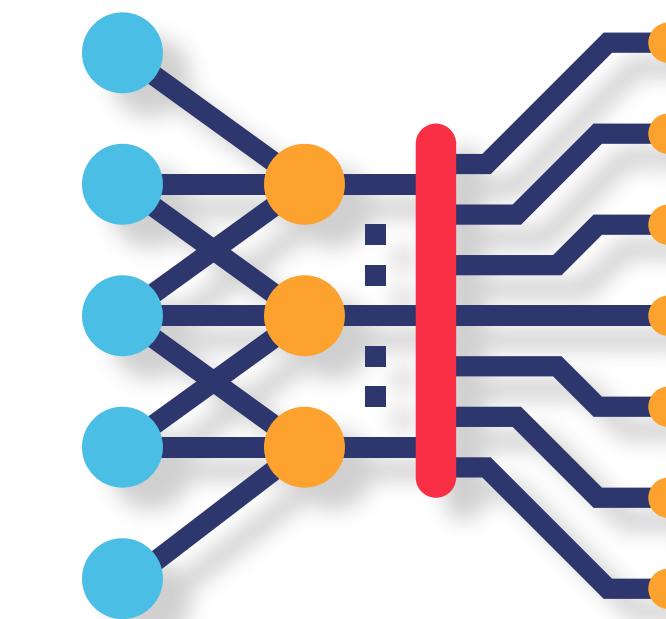
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Program
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Deep
Learning

Static Analysis Tools



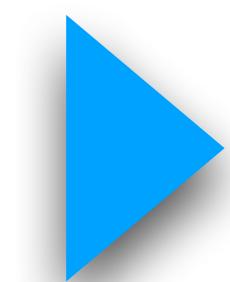
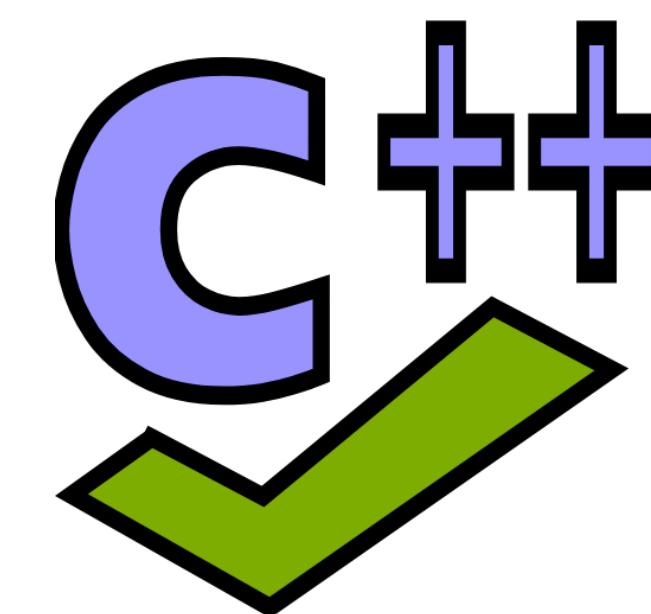
FindBugs
because it's easy



Infer



Error Prone
Google



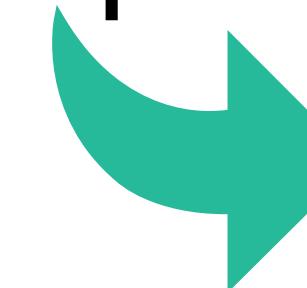
**Useful to detect
common bugs/defects.**

Violations from Static Analysis Tools



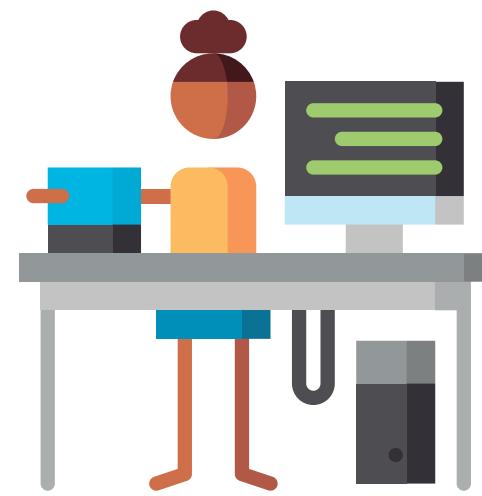
Static analysis tools such as
FindBugs detect violations

Example



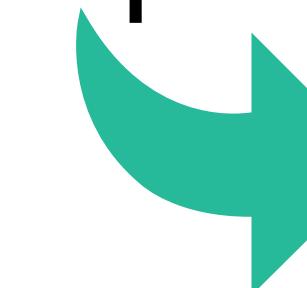
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public boolean equals(Object obj) {
    // Violation Type:
    // BC_EQUALS_METHOD_SHOULD_WORK_FOR_ALL_OBJECTS
    return getModule().equals(
        (ModuleWrapper) obj).getModule());
}
```

PopulateRepositoryMojo.java file at revision bdf3fe in project nbm-maven-plugin.



Developers may (or may not)
change source code to fix
the violations.

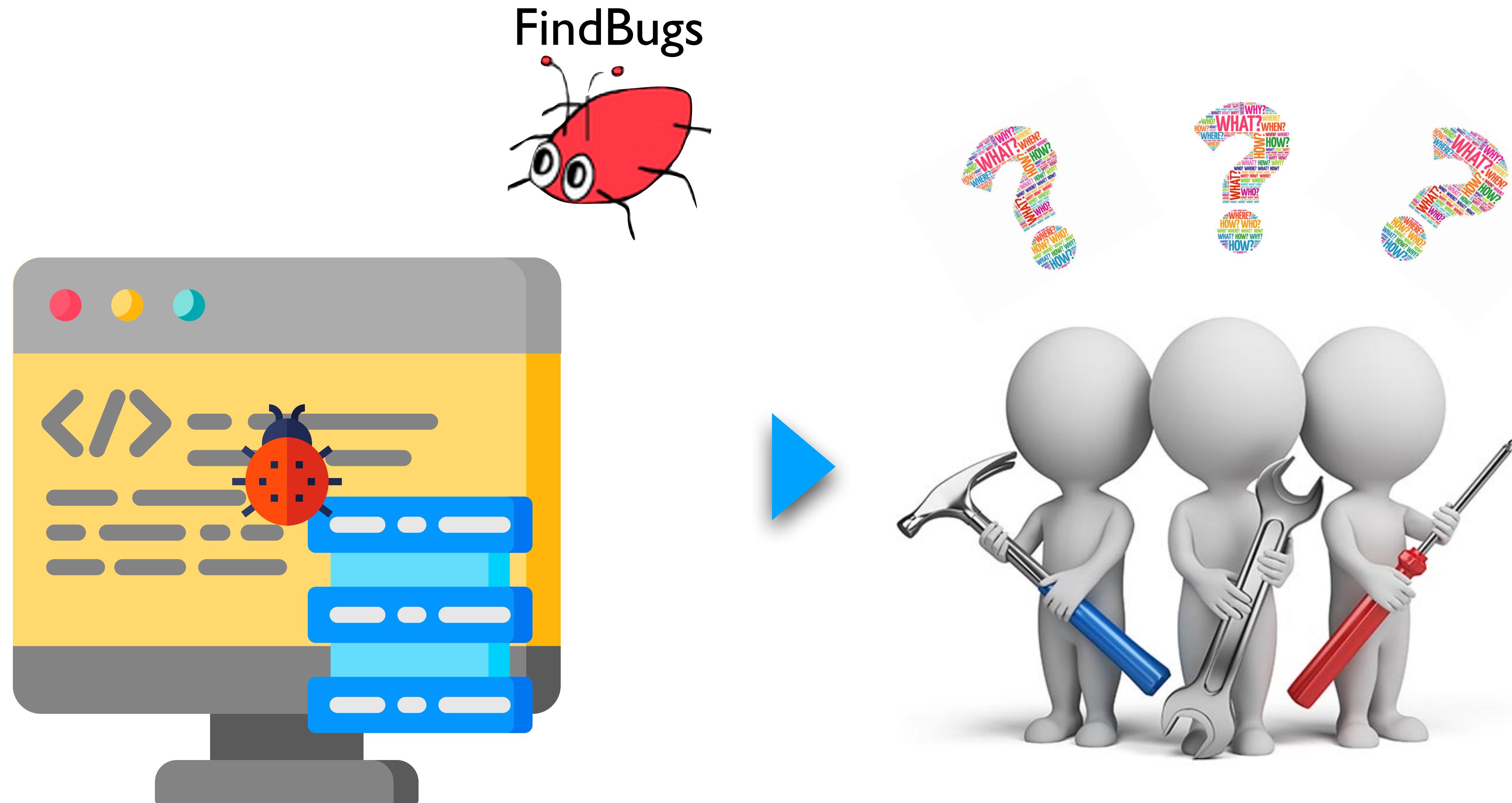
Example



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+    return obj instanceof ModuleWrapper &&
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}
```

Commit 0fd11c of project nbm-maven-plugin

How to fix them?



Fixing based on bug description?

The screenshot shows the official SpotBugs documentation website. The sidebar on the left lists various sections such as Introduction, Requirements, Installing, Running SpotBugs, Using the SpotBugs GUI, Using the SpotBugs Eclipse plugin, Using the SpotBugs Ant task, Using the SpotBugs Maven Plugin, Using the SpotBugs Gradle Plugin, Filter file, Analysis Properties, Effort, Implement SpotBugs plugin, Use SpotBugs Plugin on SonarQube, SpotBugs FAQ, and SpotBugs Links. Below these, there is a section titled "Bug descriptions" with three sub-items: Bad practice (BAD_PRACTICE), Correctness (CORRECTNESS), and Experimental (EXPERIMENTAL). The main content area on the right displays a bug description for "IMSE: Dubious catching of IllegalMonitorStateException (IMSE_DONT_CATCH_IMSE)". It explains that this exception is thrown in case of a design flaw and provides context for fixing it. Another bug description for "CN: Class defines clone() but doesn't implement Cloneable (CN_IMPLEMENTES_CLONE_BUT_NOT_CLONEABLE)" is shown, stating that the class implements Cloneable but lacks its own implementation. A third bug description for "CN: clone method does not call super.clone() (CN_IDIOM_NO_SUPER_CALL)" is also present, explaining that non-final classes failing to call super.clone() can lead to type violations.

empty JarFile entry. The contents of the entry should be written to the JarFile between the calls to `putNextEntry()` and `closeEntry()`.

IMSE: Dubious catching of IllegalMonitorStateException (IMSE_DONT_CATCH_IMSE)

IllegalMonitorStateException is generally only thrown in case of a design flaw in your code (calling wait or notify on an object you do not hold a lock on).

CN: Class defines clone() but doesn't implement Cloneable (CN_IMPLEMENTES_CLONE_BUT_NOT_CLONEABLE)

This class defines a `clone()` method but the class doesn't implement `Cloneable`. There are some situations in which this is OK (e.g., you want to control how subclasses can clone themselves), but just make sure that this is what you intended.

CN: Class implements Cloneable but does not define or use clone method (CN_IDIOM)

Class implements `Cloneable` but does not define or use the `clone` method.

CN: clone method does not call super.clone() (CN_IDIOM_NO_SUPER_CALL)

This non-final class defines a `clone()` method that does not call `super.clone()`. If this class ("A") is extended by a subclass ("B"), and the subclass *B* calls `super.clone()`, then it is likely that *B*'s `clone()` method will return an object of type *A*, which violates the standard contract for `clone()`.

If all `clone()` methods call `super.clone()`, then they are guaranteed to use `Object.clone()`, which always returns an object of the correct type.

Fixing based on bug description?

BC: Equals method should not assume anything about the type of its argument (BC_EQUALS_METHOD_SHOULD_WORK_FOR_ALL_OBJECTS)

The equals(Object o) method shouldn't make any assumptions about the type of o. It should simply return false if o is not the same type as this.

BIT: Check for sign of bitwise operation (BIT_SIGNED_CHECK)

This method compares an expression such as ((event.detail & SWT.SELECTED) > 0). Using bit arithmetic and then comparing with the greater than operator can lead to unexpected results (of course depending on the value of SWT.SELECTED). If SWT.SELECTED is a negative number, this is a candidate for a bug. Even when SWT.SELECTED is not negative, it seems good practice to use '!= 0' instead of '> 0'.

CN: Class implements Cloneable but does not define or use clone method (CN_IDIOM)

Class implements Cloneable but does not define or use the clone method.

Fixing based on bug description?

BC: Equals method should not assume anything about the type of its argument
(BC_EQUALS_METHOD_SHOULD_WORK_FOR_ALL_OBJECTS)

The equals method shouldn't make any assumptions about the type of o. It should simply return false if o is not the same.



Requires strong background knowledge.

BIT: Comparison of bitwise operation (BIT_SIGNED_CHECK)

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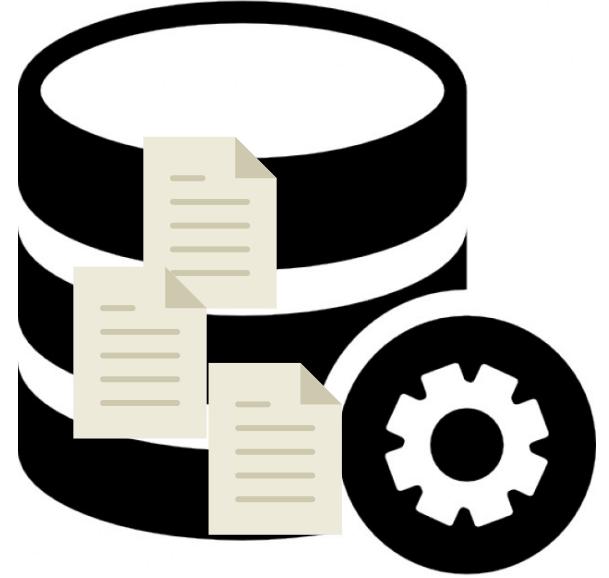


Provides not enough details.

CN: Class implements Cloneable but does not define or use clone method (CN_IDIOM)

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Collecting violation-fixing changes



Revision
History

Collecting violation-fixing changes

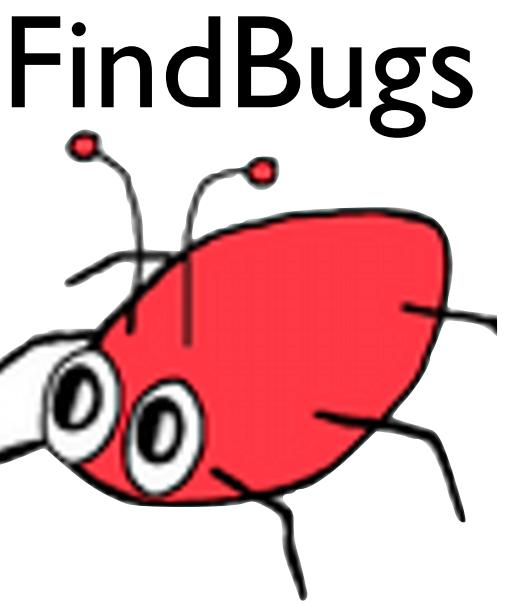


Revision
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Program
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Patches





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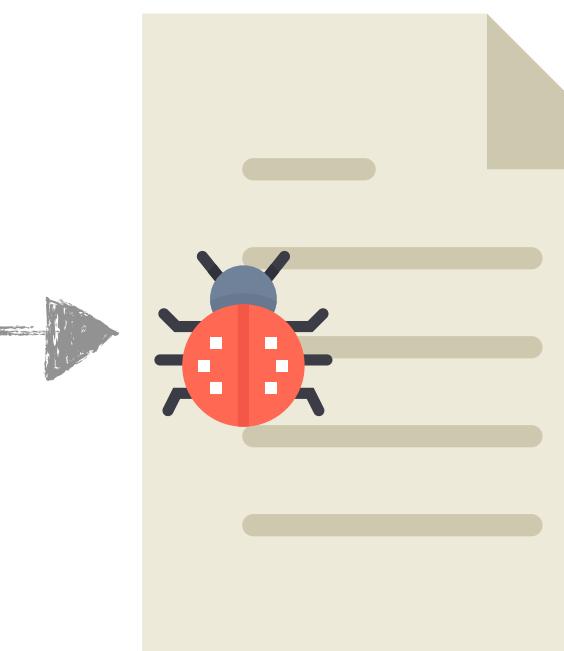
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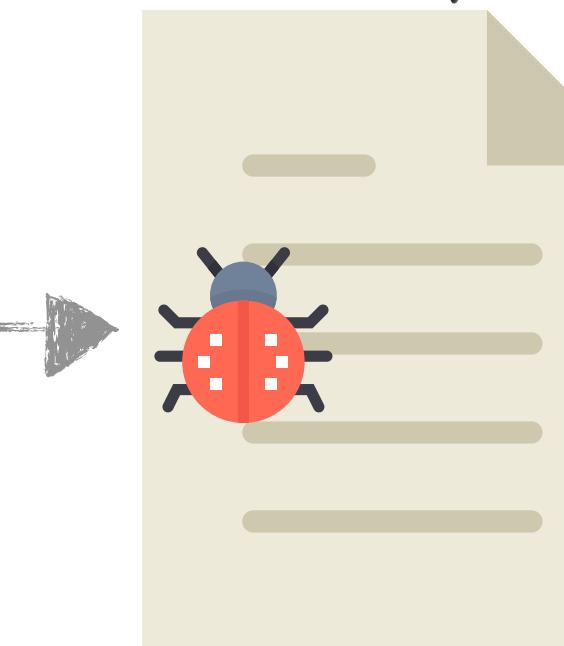
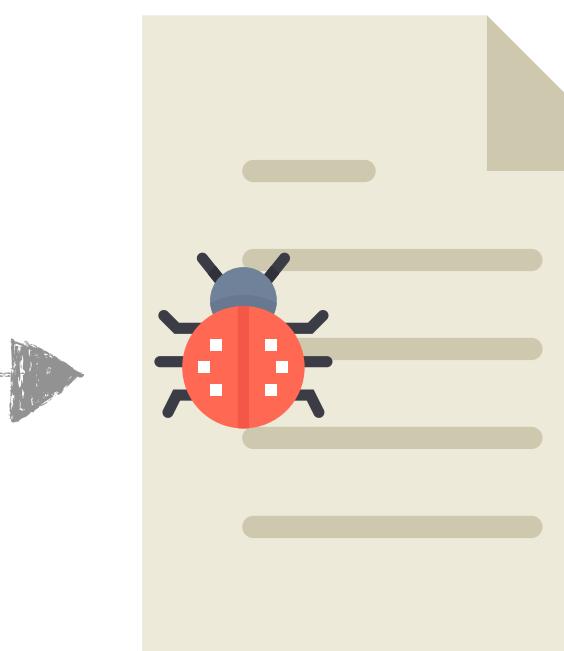


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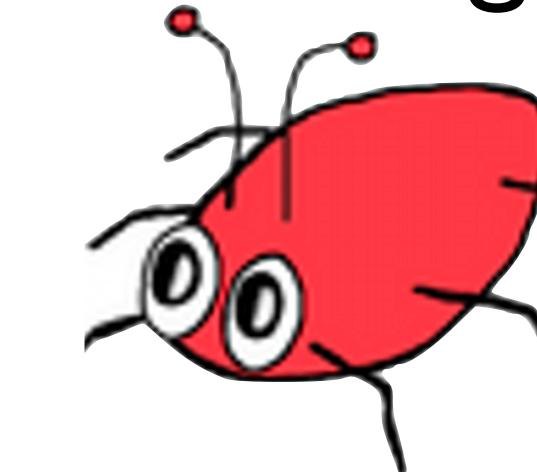
Program
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Program
after
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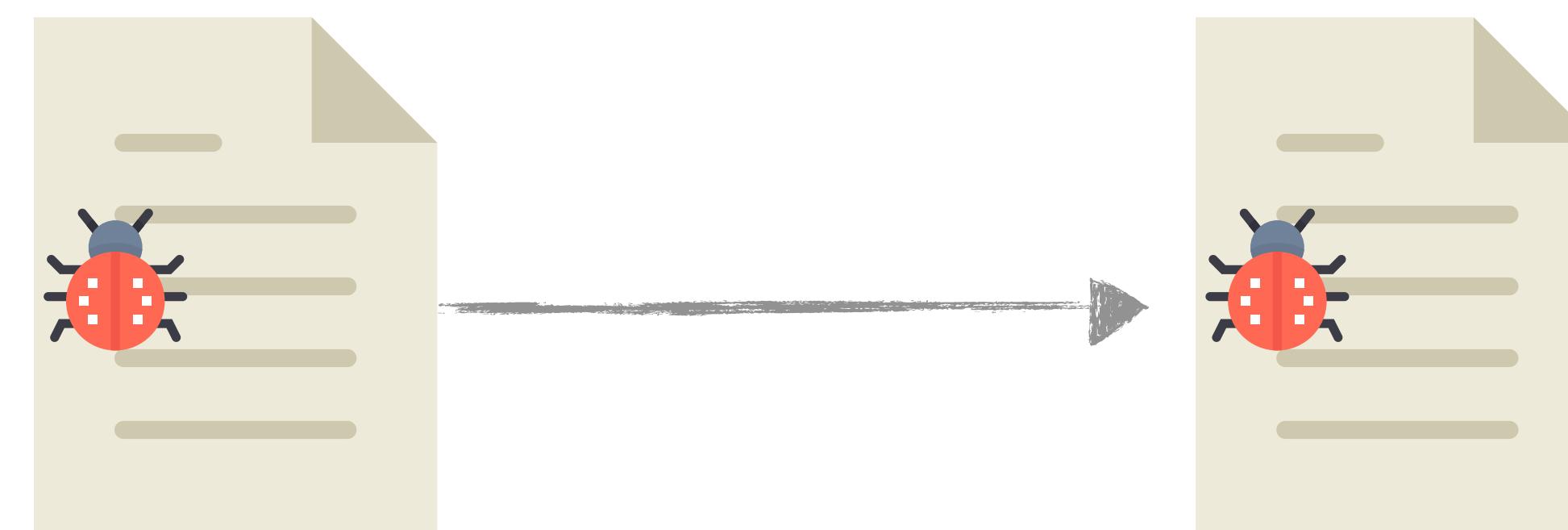
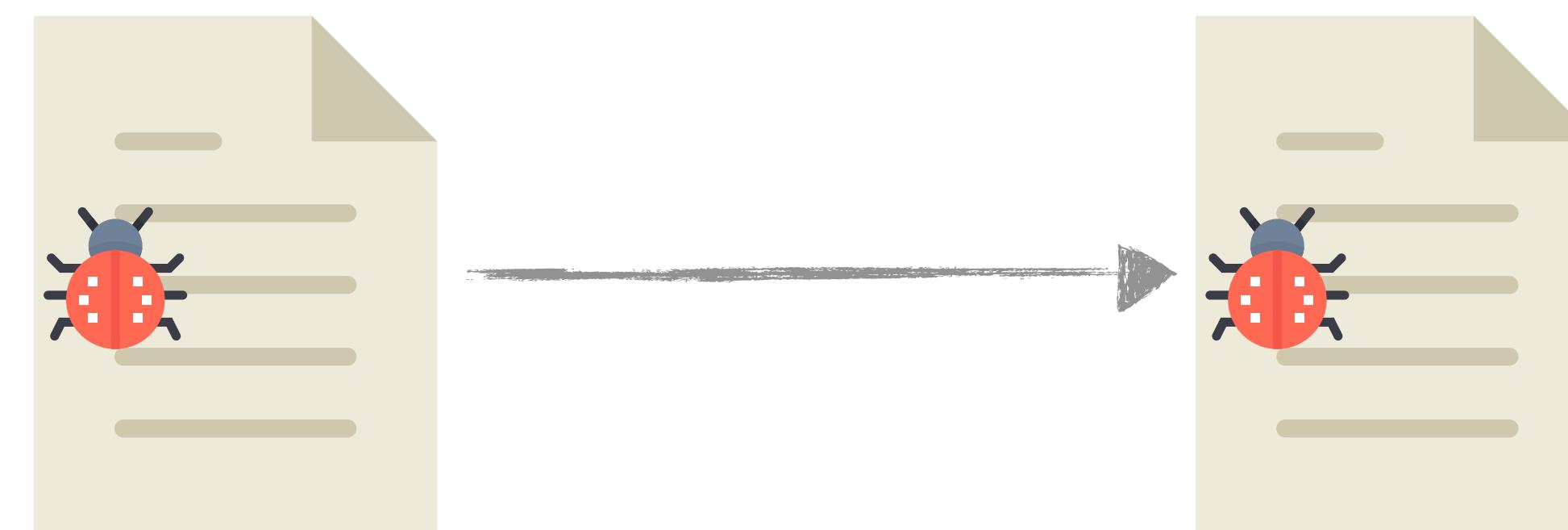
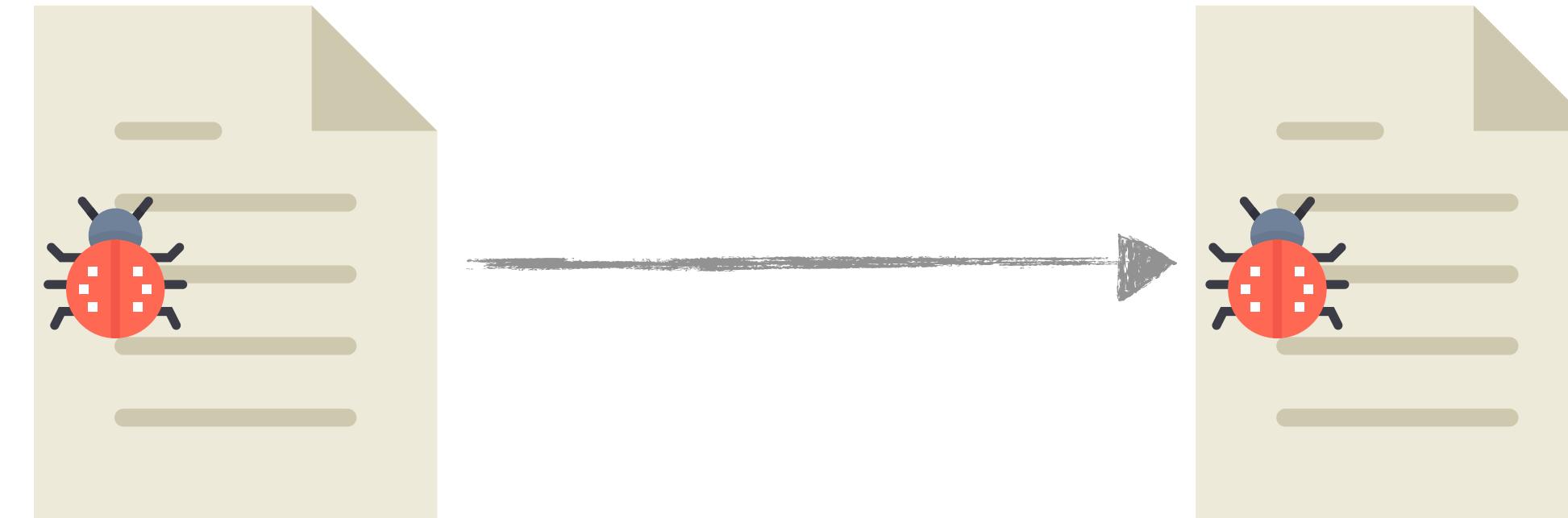
FindBugs





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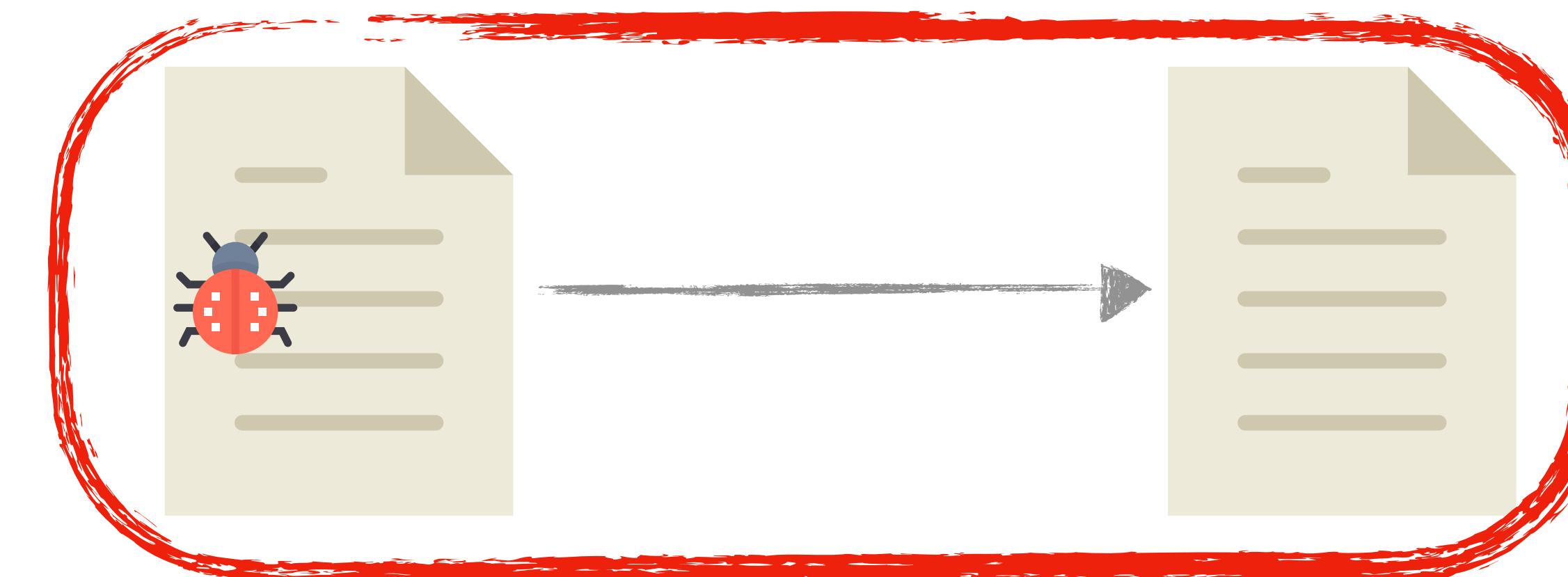


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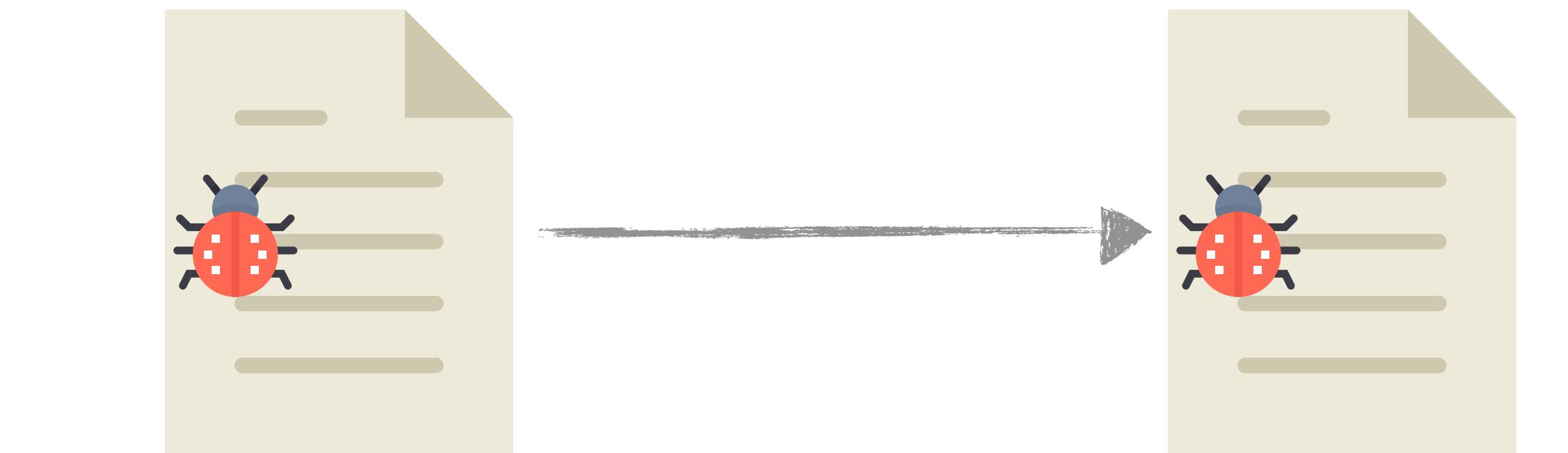


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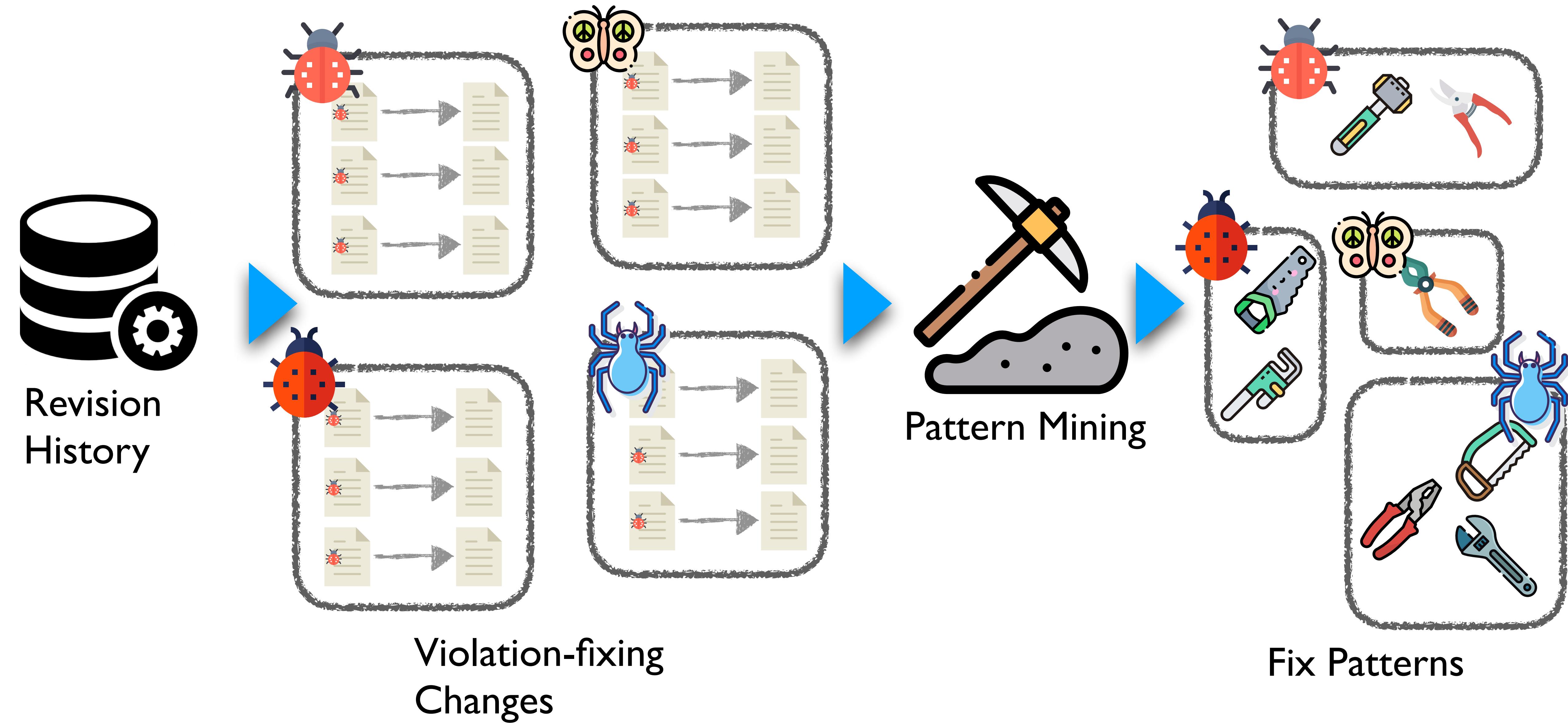
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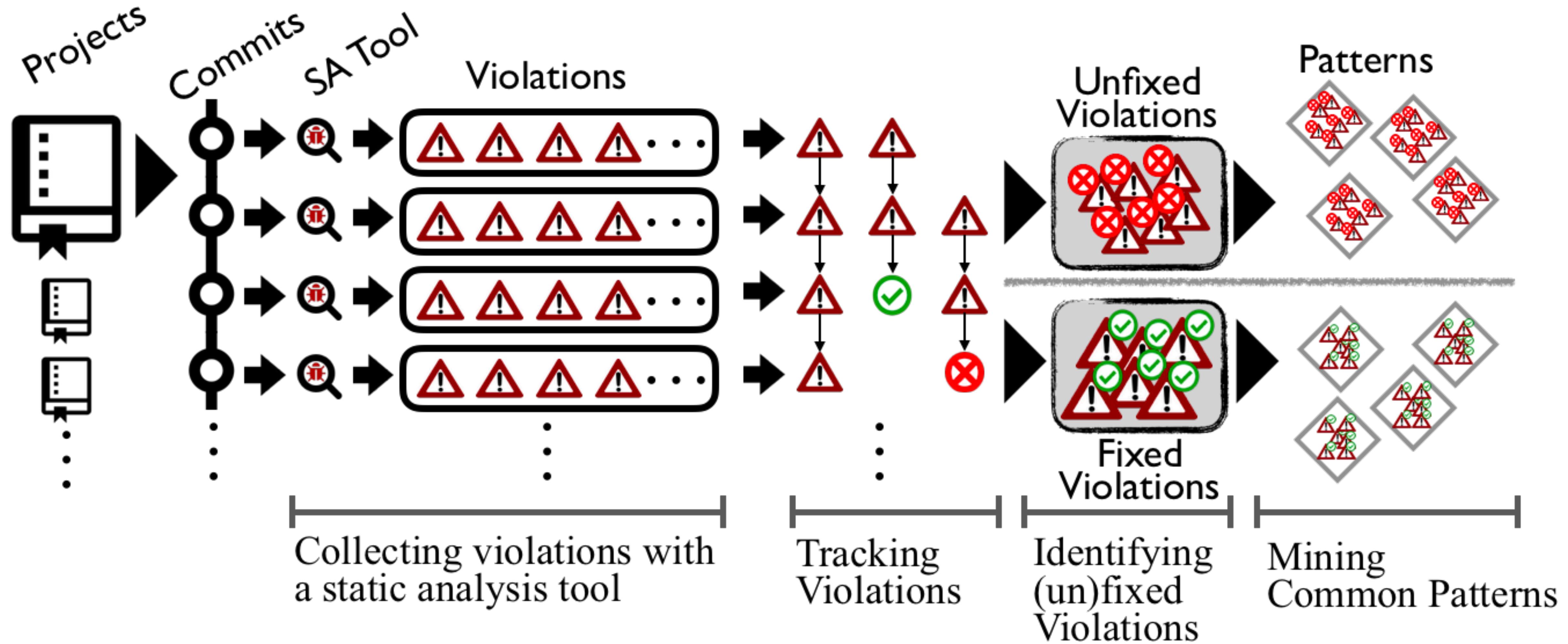
Idea: Mining violation-fixing changes patterns



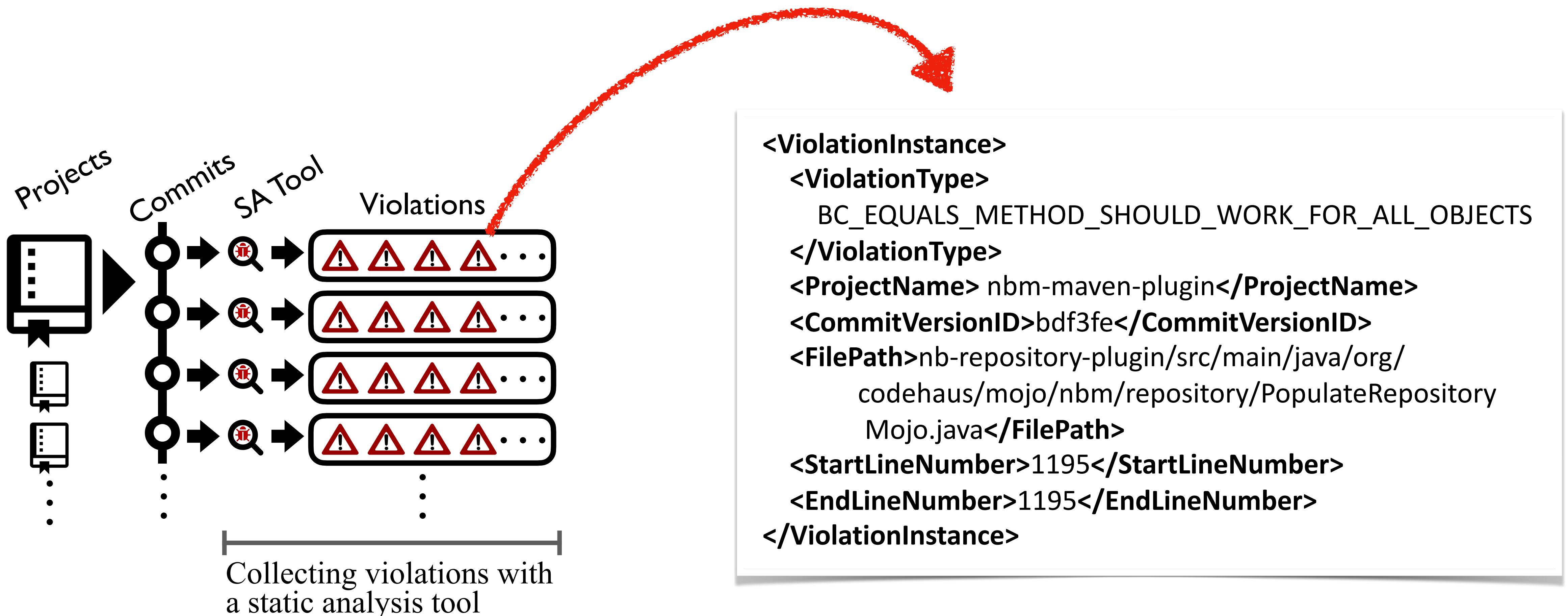


Approach

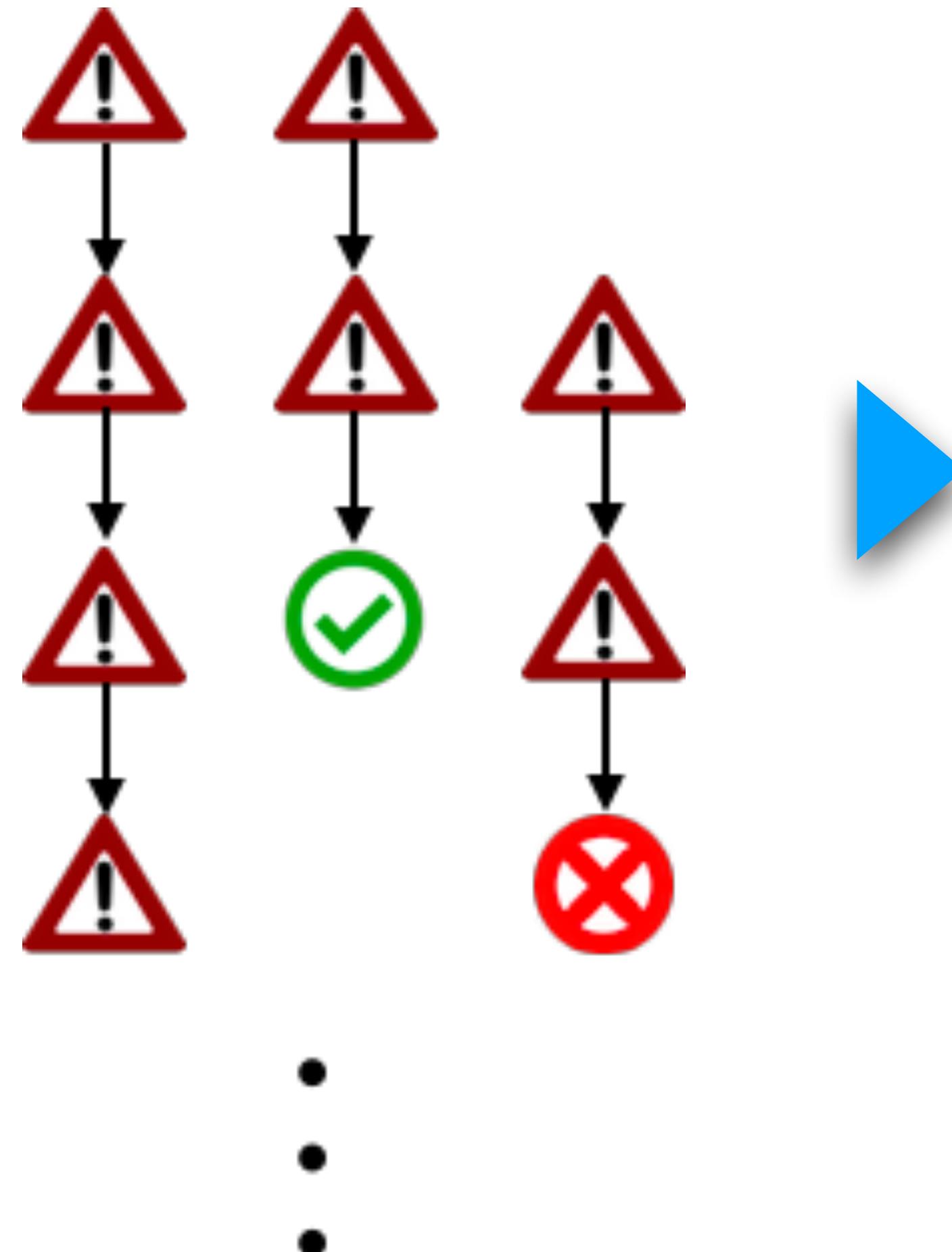
Overview



Collecting violations



Tracking violations



Identify identical violations
between revisions*.

Detect whether a violation
is fixed, or just removed.

[*] P. Avgustinov, A. I. Baars, A. S. Henriksen, G. Lavender, G. Menzel, O. de Moor, M. Schfer, and J. Tibble, “Tracking Static Analysis Violations over Time to Capture Developer Characteristics,” in Proceedings of the 37th International Conference on Software Engineering, 2015, pp. 437–447.

Parsing changes (i.e., patches)



```

public boolean equals(Object obj) {
-    return getModule().equals(
-        ((ModuleWrapper) obj).getModule());
+    return obj instanceof ModuleWrapper &&
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}

```

We used GumTree* to identify AST-level changes.

```

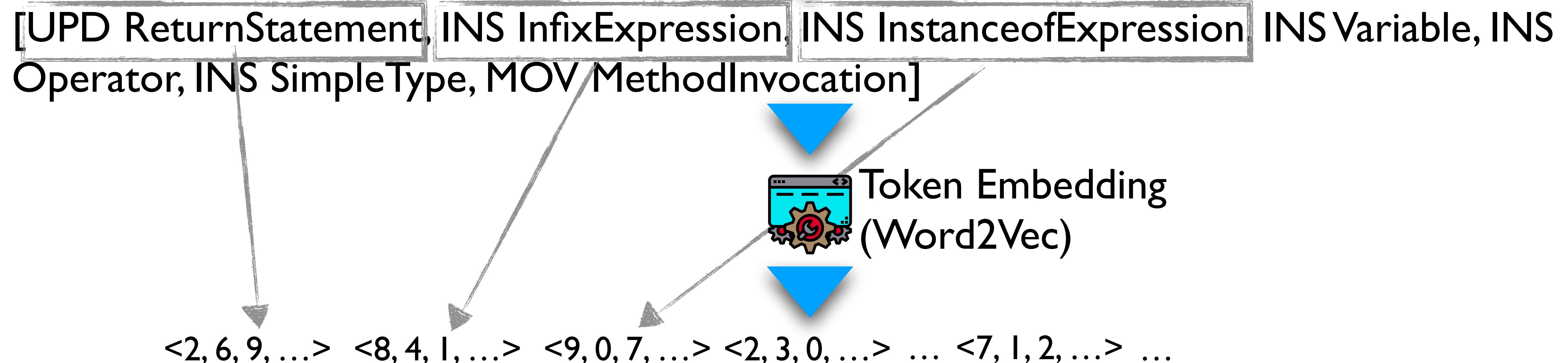
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-----MOV MethodInvocation@@" getModule().equals(...)" to InfixExpression

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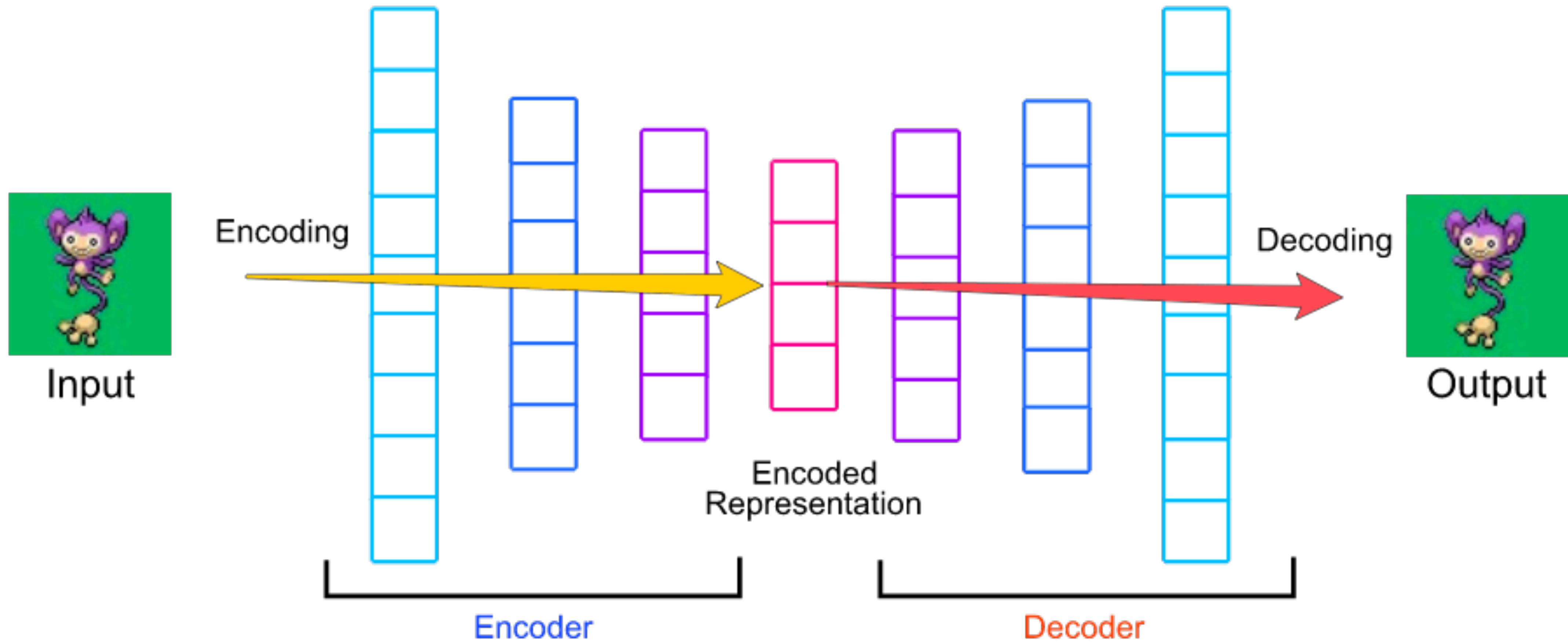
[*] J.-R. Falleri, F. Morandat, X. Blanc, M. Martinez, and M. Monperrus, “Fine-grained and accurate source code differencing,” in *ACM/IEEE International Conference on Automated Software Engineering*. Västerås, Sweden - September 15 - 19: ACM, 2014, pp. 313–324.

Tokenizing change information

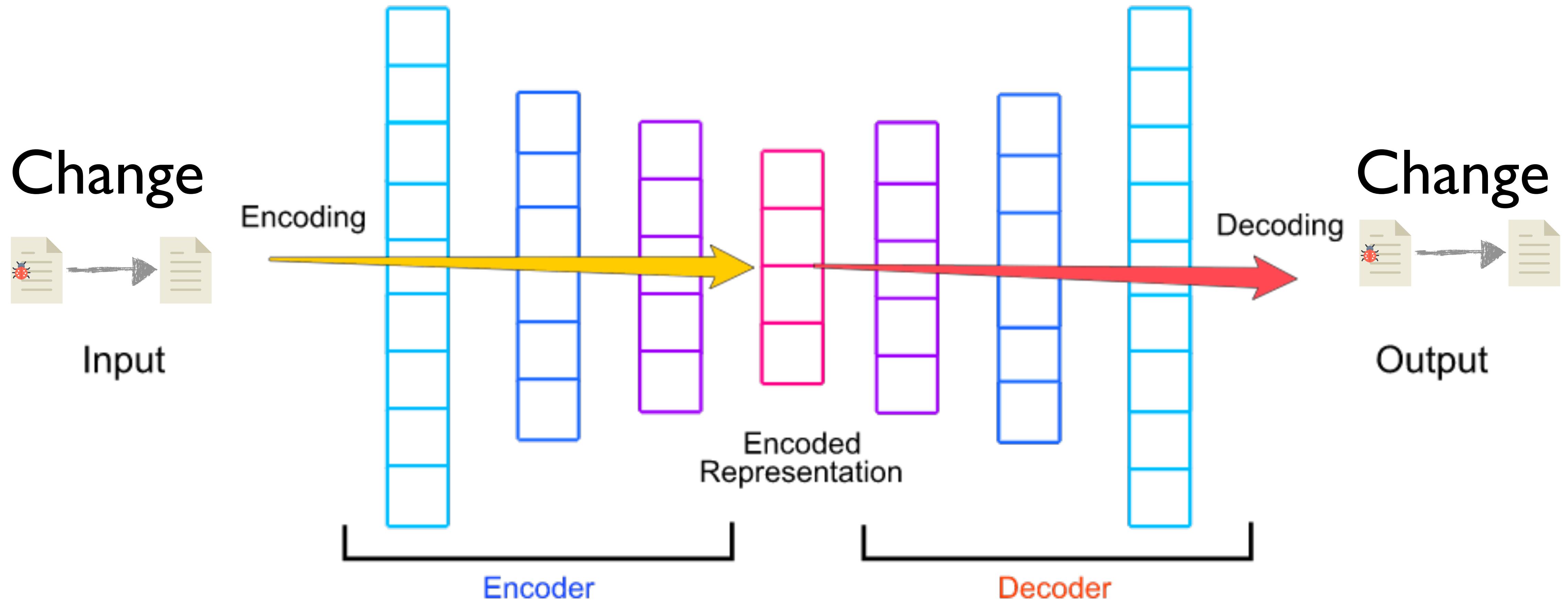
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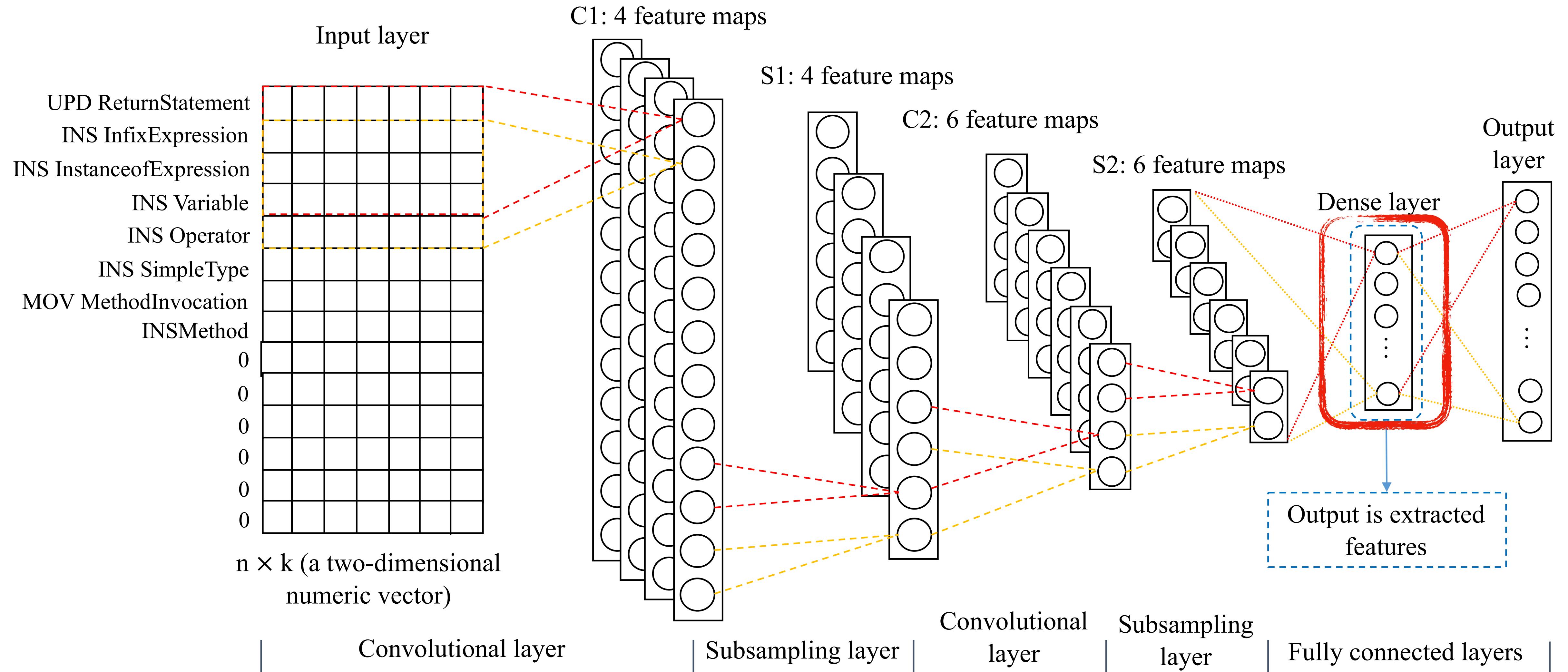
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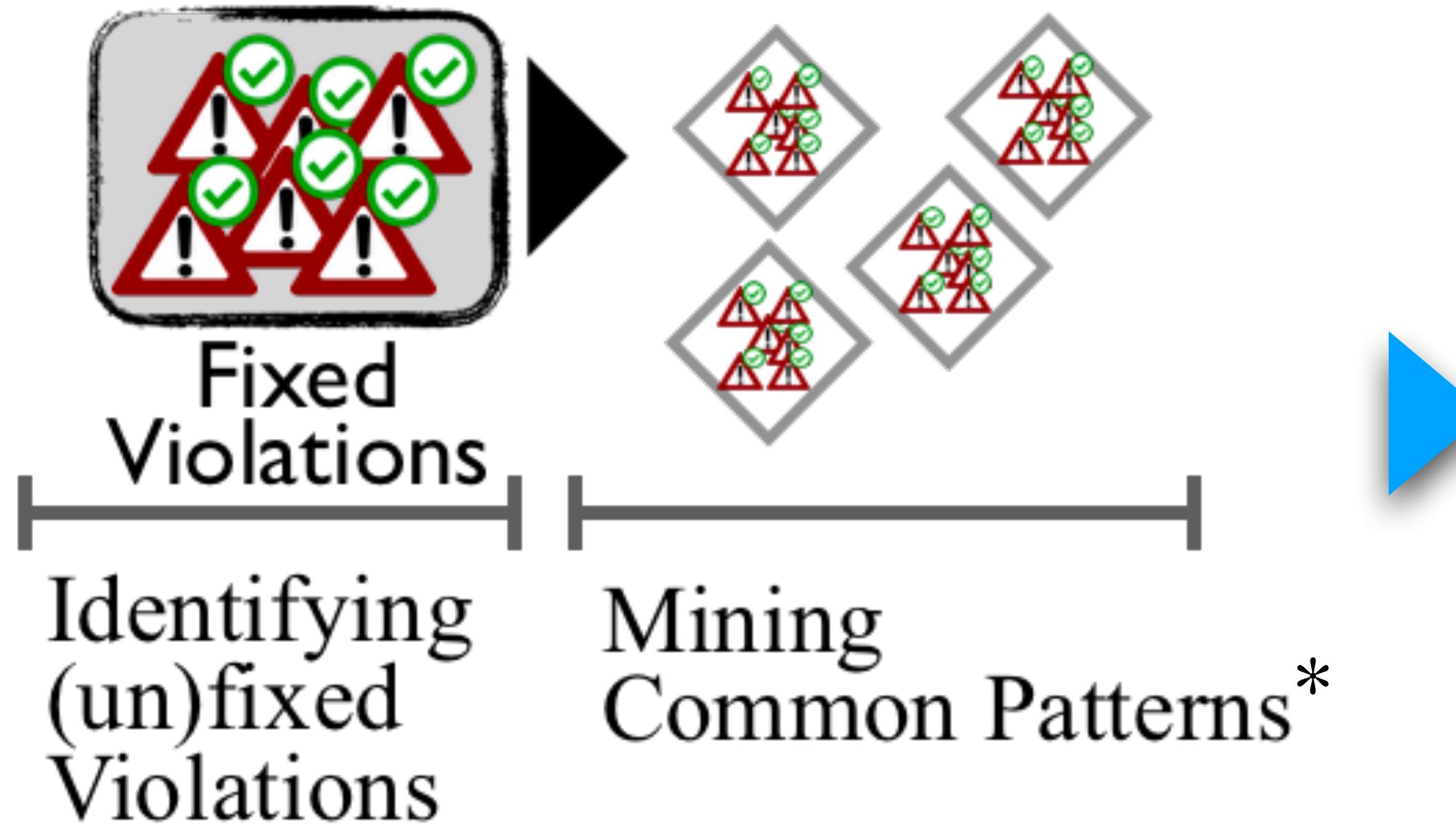
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Embedding change information



Clustering Patches and Identifying Fix Patterns



Violation Type:
BC_EQUALS_METHOD_SHOULD_WORK_FOR_ALL_OBJECTS

Patch Example:

```
- return exp1().equals(((T)obj).exp2());
+ return obj instanceof T && exp1().
    equals(((T)obj).exp2());
```

Fix Pattern###:

- UPD ReturnStatement
- INS InfixExpression
- MOV MethodInvocation
- INS InstanceofExpression
- INS Variable
- INS Instanceof
- INS SimpleType
- INS Operator

[*] D. Pelleg, A. W. Moore et al., “X-means: Extending k-means with efficient estimation of the number of clusters.” in ICML, vol. 1, 2000, pp. 727–734.



Evaluation

Subjects

# Projects	730
# Commits	291,615
# Violations (detected)	250,387,734
# Distinct violations	16,918,530
# Violations types	400

Collected from GitHub.com.

With at least one violation
fixing commits.

Fix Patterns Identified

We have identified
174 fix patterns for
111 violation types.

Example

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■ SA_LOCAL_DOUBLE_ASSIGNMENT	Mined Fix Patterns.	7 months ago	66
■ SA_LOCAL_SELF_ASSIGNMENT_INSTEAD_OF_FIELD	Mined Fix Patterns.	7 months ago	
■ SA_LOCAL_SELF_COMPARISON	Mined Fix Patterns.	7 months ago	
■ SBSC_USE_STRINGBUFFER_CONCATENATION	Mined Fix Patterns.	7 months ago	
■ SC_START_INCTOR	Mined Fix Patterns.	7 months ago	
■ SE_BAD_FIELD_INNER_CLASS	Mined Fix Patterns.	7 months ago	
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■ UPM_UNCALLED_PRIVATE_METHOD	Mined Fix Patterns.	7 months ago	
■ URF_UNREAD_FIELD	Mined Fix Patterns.	7 months ago	
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Comparison (Defects4J)

Note that our fix patterns are extracted only from violation fixing patterns.

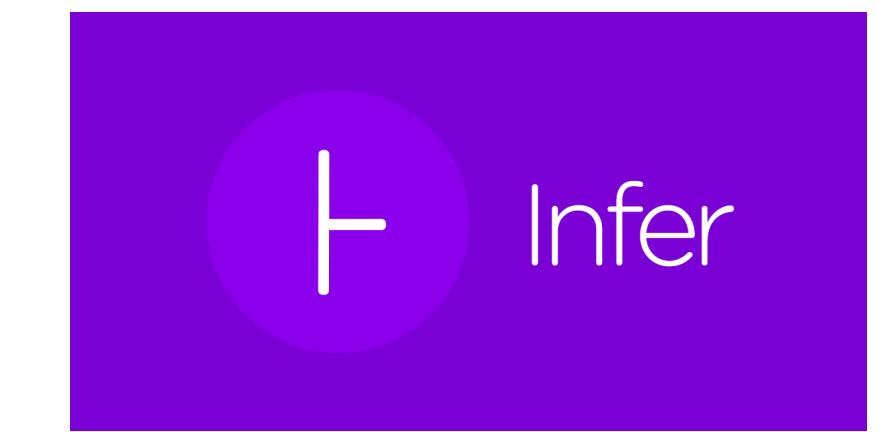
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Nopol	1	0	3	1	0	0	5
ACS	2	0	3	12	0	1	18
SimFix	4	6	9	14	0	1	34

[*] K. Liu, A. Koyuncu, D. Kim, and T. F. Bissyandé, “AVATAR: Fixing Semantic Bugs with Fix Patterns of Static Analysis Violations,” in 2019 IEEE 26th International Conference on Software Analysis, Evolution and Reengineering (SANER), 2019, pp. 1–12.

Live Study

Subject	Submitted	# Pull Requests			
		Merged	Improved	Rejected	Ignored
json-simple	2				2
commons-io	2			2	
commons-lang	7		1	1	5
commons-math	6				6
ant	16	9	1	4	2
cassandra	9				9
mahout	3				3
aries	5				5
poi	44	44			
camel	22	14		8	
Total	116	67	2	15	32

Plan



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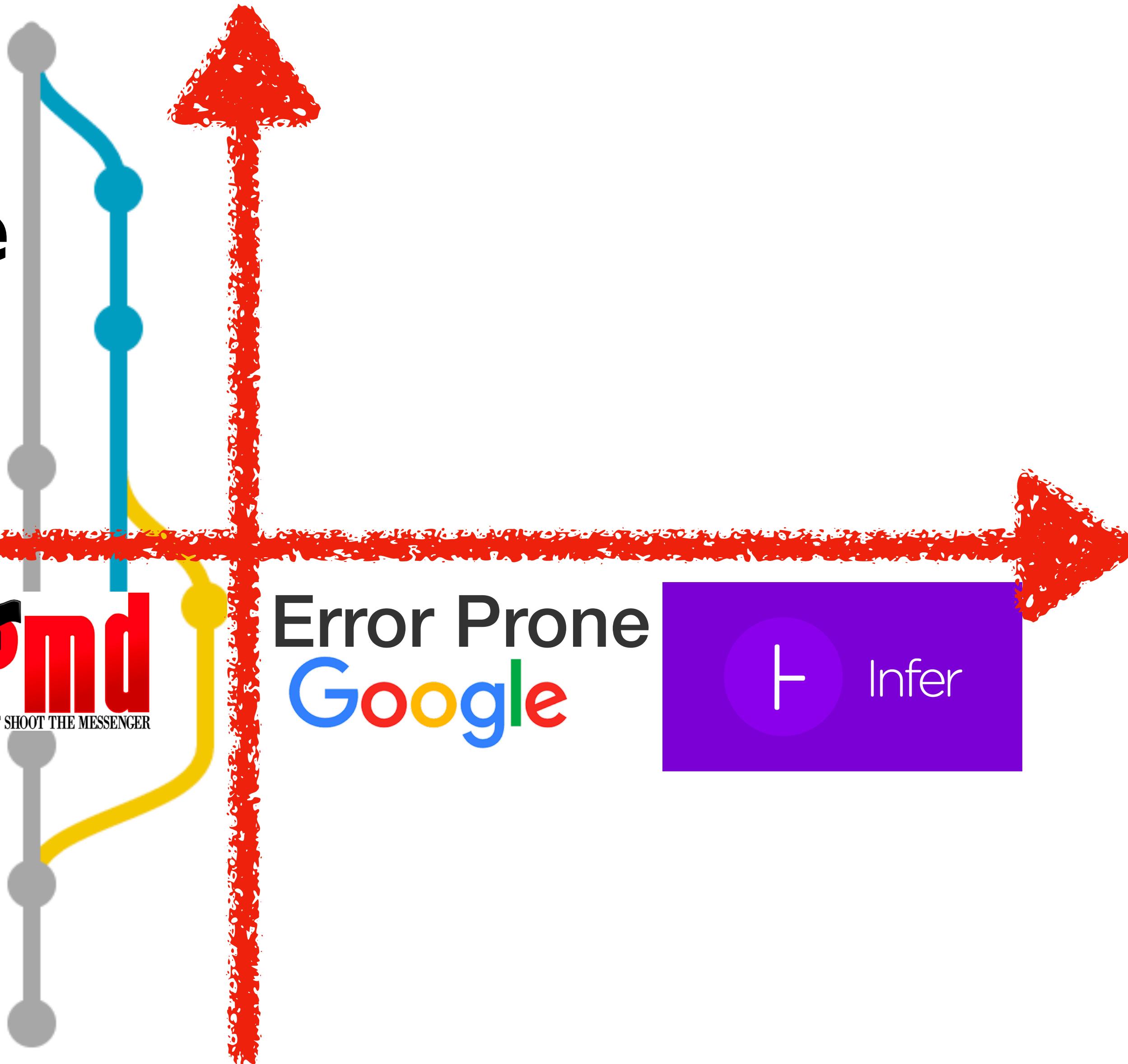
Statistical detection of **bugs** in bug finders

Plan



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Statistical
detection of **false**
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Summary

Fixing based on bug description?

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(**BC_EQUALS_METHOD_SHOULD_WORK_FOR_ALL_OBJECTS**)

The equals(Object o) method shouldn't make any assumptions about the type of o. It should simply return false if o is not the same type as this.

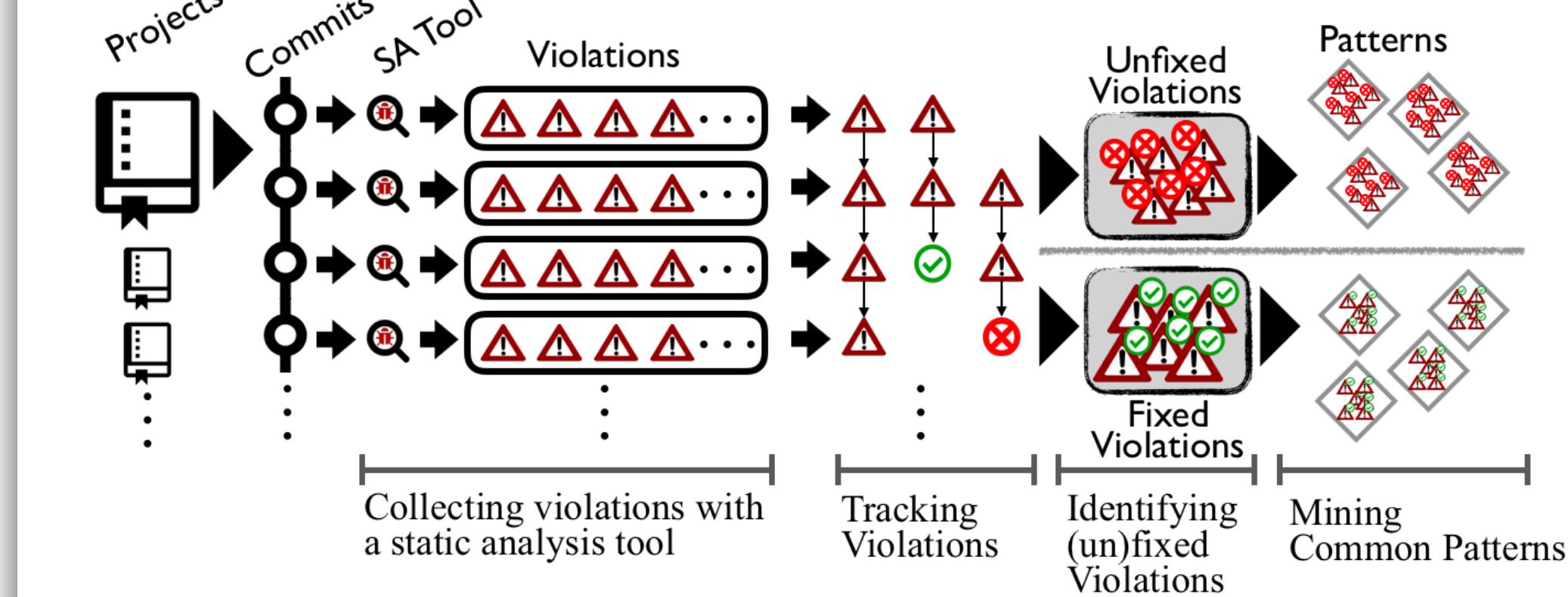
BIT: Check for sign of bitwise operation (**BIT_SIGNED_CHECK**)

This method compares an expression such as `((event.detail & SWT.SELECTED) > 0)`. Using bit arithmetic and then comparing with the greater than operator can lead to unexpected results (of course depending on the value of `SWT.SELECTED`). If `SWT.SELECTED` is a negative number, this is a candidate for a bug. Even when `SWT.SELECTED` is not negative, it seems good practice to use '`!= 0`' instead of '`> 0`'.

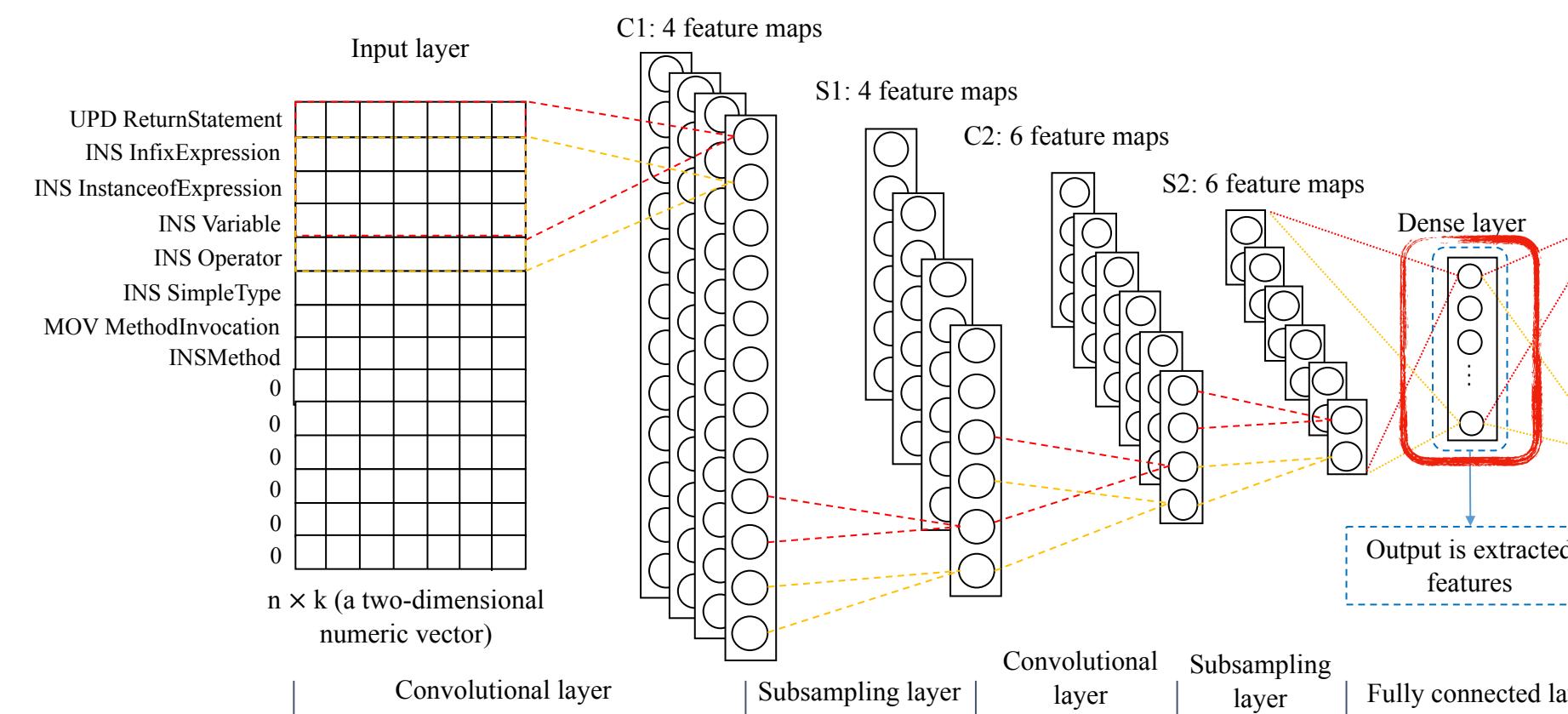
CN: Class implements Cloneable but does not define or use clone method (**CN_IDIOM**)

Class implements `Cloneable` but does not define or use the `clone` method.

Overview



Embedding change information



Live Study

Subject	Submitted	# Pull Requests				
		Merged	Improved	Rejected	Ignored	Total
json-simple	2				2	
commons-io	2			2		
commons-lang	7		1	1	5	
commons-math	6				6	
ant	16	9	1	4	2	
cassandra	9				9	
mahout	3				3	
aries	5				5	
poi	44	44				
camel	22	14		8		
Total	116	67	2	15	32	