

Fuzzing

Technique:

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fn f(x: int) {
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  let y = x + 2 in
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  if (y > 10) {
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    assert(x < 100)
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  }
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}
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correctness
conditions

Try to crash f

by picking the right x

Option #1: enumerate all x
run f on all x

for k steps

for k minutes

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Option #2: run on random inputs
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don't rerun on
prev inputs

Option #3: run on known bad
inputs

Option #4: A) stratified sampling

B) control flow coverage

Pro: exhaustive

Cons: time intensive

impossible if input space
is infinite

Pro: input space coverage
if lucky, extra good

Cons: consistency
if unlucky, extra bad

Pro: pick better samples
w/ feedback

Cons: ① restricted expressiveness
② coverage might not
correspond to bugs
③ overhead
in time & space

Coverage-guided fuzzing

seeds: { "", "a quick fox", "x" }

fn example(s: &str) {

0: if s[0] == "a" {

1: if s[1] == "b" {

2: assert(s[2] == "c");

}

}

{0}

{0,1}

{0}

"abquick"

"aquick"

{0,1,2}

{0,1}

0 → 1 → 2

0 → 1

fuzz(f):

pool = { "", ... }

while time left:

for x ∈ pool:

execute f(x) for k seconds

collect coverage information

if coverage $\neq$ $\cup$ all existing coverage:

add mutations(x) to pool'

pool = pool'