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Introduction



Heuristic-based Automated Program Repair [1]





Search Spaces

All ranges considered for generating candidate patches [2]

- Bug fixing operations
- Bug location
- Ingredients
- Test Suite



Search Spaces

Operation

- Insert
- Move
- Delete
- Update

Location

- Code block
- Line
- Variable

Ingredient

- Source code from other parts of the same project
- Source code from external projects



Search Spaces: Example



Buggy Code





Buggy Code







Fixed Code

Search Spaces Problem

The performance of APR tools is directly related to the search space [2]

- Existing APR techniques still have vast patch search spaces
- Expanding the search space leads to resource wastage
- The density of correct patches decreases with more candidate patches



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How can we effectively decrease search space?



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Two bugs with *similar* bug-introducing changes (BIC) will also have *similar* fixing commits (BFC)







[1] The Hitchhiker's Guide to Search-Based Program Repair, Chris Timperley, Carnegie Mellon University 15

Related work

Boosting Automated Program Repair with Bug-Inducing Commits (Ming et al.,

ICSE-NEIR '20) [3]

- Repair bugs by learning from how they were introduced rather than from how other bugs were fixed
- Fixing ingredients needed to fix a bug can be inferred from the commit that introduced the bug



Related work

Precfix (Zhang et al., ICSE-SEIP '20) [4]

- Collecting defect-patch pairs from development histories
- Perform clustering and extracts generic reusable patching patterns
- Typical developer behaviors in committing bug fixes











SPI: Similar Patch Identifier for Automated Program Repair



- Identify bug introducing change of provided bug
- Extract bug fixes operations with similar bug introducing change
- Use heuristic-based automated program repair tool **with reduced search space**



GumTree: Code Differencing Tool (Falleri et al. ASE 2014)





GumTree: Closure-14 Example

} else if (parent.getLastChild() == node){
 if (cfa != null) {
 for (Node finallyNode : cfa.finallyMan.get(parent)) {
 cfa.createEdge(fromNode, Branch.ON_EX, finallyNode);
 }
 }
}

return computeFollowNode(fromNode, parent, cfa);

Before Bug Inducing Commit

} else if (parent.getLastChild() == node){
 if (cfa != null) {
 for (Node finallyNode : cfa.finallyMan.get(parent)) {
 cfa.createEdge(fromNode, Branch.UNCOND, finallyNode);
 }
 }

return computeFollowNode(fromNode, parent, cfa);

After Bug Inducing Commit





<Snippet of Closure-14 Bug Introducing Change>

Numerical Vector of Change Operation

- Convert the GumTree result into numerical vectors
- Each node type and edit operation has specific value to be distincted





<Snippet of Closure-14 Bug Introducing Change>

Identify Bug Introducing Change of Target Bug



- Use git blame command
- Define into change operation[5] to seek similar BIC
- Use GumTree[6] to extract edit operation in Abstract Syntax Tree
- Convert to numerical vector



[5] Connor, Aidan, Aaron Harris, Nathan Cooper, and Denys Poshyvanyk. "Can we automatically fix bugs by learning edit operations?," IEEE International Conference on Software Analysis, Evolution and Reengineering (SANER), (2012) 782-792 24 [6] Jean-Rémy Falleri, Floréal Morandat, Xavier Blanc, Matias Martinez, and Martin Monperrus. "Fine-Grained and Accurate Source Code Differencing", 29th ACM/IEEE International Conference on Automated Software Engineering (2014), 313-324.

Bug Introducing Change Pool & Bug Fixing Commit



- Collect BIC and Bug Fixing Commits From Open-Source Projects
- Make csv file of BIC numerical Vector and Bug Fixing Commit as pair



Identify Bug Fix with Similar Bug Introducing Change



- Calculate similarity between target bug's
 BIC and collected BIC using Longest
 Common Subsequence (LCS) Algorithm
- Extract Top 10 Bug Fixing Commits



Automated Program Repair with Reduced search space



Provide selected bug fixing commit into APR Tool



Experimental Setup



Research Questions

RQ1. What is the performance of SPI compared to Baseline APR?

RQ2. Does pool size affect the performance?

RQ3. Does LCS similarity for patch effectively provide the necessary modifications?



Experimental Setup

Baseline APR: ConFix[7]

Java Bug Benchmark: Defects4J[8]

• Chart, Closure, Lang, Math, Time, Mockito



[7] Kim, Jindae, and Sunghun Kim. "Automatic patch generation with context-based change application." Empirical Software Engineering 24.6 (2019): 4071-4106. 30 [8] Just, R, Jalali, D., Ernst, M.D. "Defects4J: A database of existing faults to enable controlled testing studies for Java programs." Proceedings of the 2014 International Symposium on Software Testing and Analysis. 2014.

Experimental Setup

Fault Localization: Perfect Fault Localization

Pool: Apache open source project

• Beam, Cassandra, Hadoop, jUDDI, Kafka, Spark



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ConFix: Automatic Patch Generation with Context-based Change Application





Fig. 1: The Overview of Context-based Change Application Technique

Experiment Result



RQ1. What is the performance of SPI compared to Baseline APR?

표 1. 성공적으로 생성한 패치 결과

ConFix With Answer는 ConFix에 정답 수정 커밋이 제공되었을 때를 의미.

Project	SPI	Original ConFix	ConFix with Answers	
Chart	3(4)	4	N/A	
Closure	3(12)	6	20	
Lang	2(4)	5	5	
Math	4(11)	6	20	
Time	0(1)	1	1	
Mockito	0(0)	N/A	4	
Sum	12(32)	22	50	

- Original ConFix[7]
- ConFix with Answers[8]
- SPI with ConFix generated 12 correct patches



[7] Kim, Jindae, and Sunghun Kim. "Automatic patch generation with context-based change application." Empirical Software Engineering 24.6 (2019): 4071-4106. 34 [8] Sunghyun Choi, Junghyun Heo, Chaewoo Yu, and Jaechang Nam. "Analysis on Results of ConFix Execution Through Correct Patch Change Information" KCC 2022. RQ1. What is the performance of SPI compared to Baseline APR?

0.15%

 $\frac{\text{SPI bug fix commit candidates count}}{\text{ConFix bug fix commit candidates count}} = \frac{10}{6,485}$



RQ1. What is the performance of SPI compared to Baseline APR?

4 additional correct patches

Closure 10 Closure 86 Lang 59 Math 59



RQ2. Does pool size affect the performance?

Project	File Change: 3,262	File Change: 26,660	
Chart	3(4)	3(4)	
Closure	3(8)	3(12)	
Lang	2(3)	2(4)	
Math	3(7)	4(11)	
Time	0(1)	0(1)	
Mockito	0(0)	0(0)	
Sum	11(23)	12(32)	

표 2. 파일 수정 개수가 커질때 SPI가 생성하는 패치의 개수

Increasing the number of file modifications considered by SPI leads to **more bugs being fixed**



RQ3. Does LCS similarity for patch effectively provide the necessary modifications?

Project	Patch-Generated LCS Score	No Patch-Generated LCS Score	Overall LCS Score
Chart	0.88	0.75	0.80
Closure	0.83	0.63	0.68
Lang	0.83	0.51	0.60
Math	0.81	0.70	0.73
Time	0.96	0.50	0.75
Mockito	N/A	0.75	0.65
All	0.82*	0.65*	0.70

표 3. LCS 평균 점수의 차이 *: 통계적으로 유의미한 차이를 보임

- LCS similarity effectively provided the necessary fix operations
- Mann-Whitney U Test: Calculated as 0.00018, indicating high statistical significance at the 5% level



Conclusion & Future Works





Utilized Bug Introducing Change similarity to reduce Search Space

Confirmed reduction in search space and performance improvement



Future Works

Build a pool with larger GitHub open source projects with better quality

Try to integrate SPI with other APR











Bug Fixing Commit / Bug Introducing Change Pool

선택된 Apache 오픈소스 프로젝트 내 버그 수정

Commit

a960d87e05f01000a758d8e7e5a58be57d13eb33,3edacd632c2f2c360ca1d931c6b4f6fd7326511f,src/java/org/apache/cassandra/service/MigrationCoordinator.java,sr

. . .

위 Commit과 대응되는 BIC 수정 연산의 수치형 벡터

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