Software Engineering Seminar

Test Case Generation/Selection

Description

Recognition of a bug is the first step to be able to fix it. As, generally, there does not exist a formal specification for the software system under consideration, a test suite is being used to help ensure the correctness of the system. When executing a test suite, a failing test case is an indication of an error that resides in the system.

A problem associated with test suites is that someone has to actually create, apply and maintain them. To this end, automated techniques for test case generation and selection have been developed in order to achieve various test goals (e.g., maximum line/branch coverage) which can be specified by the user. The goal of this topic is to obtain an overview over existing techniques for automated test case generation and selection and to discuss and evaluate them.

References


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