

Extending Big Data Fuzz Testing with Coverage Guidance

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1 Background



DISC Systems - Data-Intensive Scalable Computing systems are often used for handling large data. Rare and buggy corner cases are often encountered.



Fuzz Testing - An automated software testing technique: Automatically generate malformed inputs, and see if it breaks things.



Big Data Testing - Hard to apply traditional fuzzing, because:

1. DISC systems have long latency
2. most code comes from the framework implementation
3. random mutations rarely generate valid data

2 Aim

How does input selection based on coverage affect the performance of fuzz testing big data applications?

How is the coverage information currently used by big data fuzzers?

How can big data input selection be improved based on coverage information?

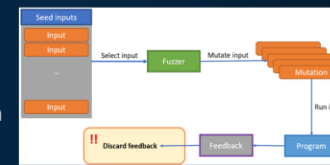
How does the extended fuzzer compare to the current fuzzer?

3 Method

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Black-box fuzzer

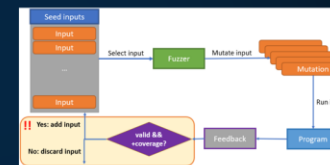
Does not use coverage information



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Grey-box fuzzer

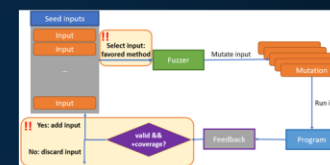
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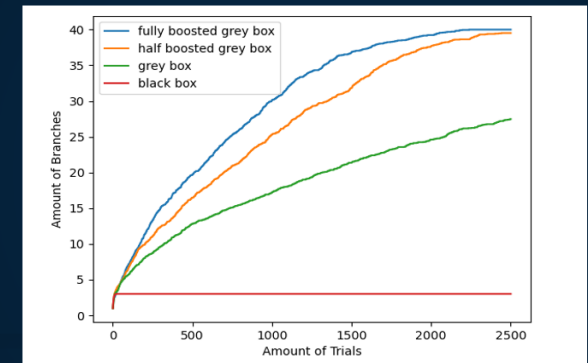
Boosted grey-box fuzzer

Uses coverage information
And favored input selection



4 Results

Coverage Improvement of Boosted Greybox Fuzzer Over Traditional Greybox- and Blackbox Fuzzer



5 Conclusion

- Both perform at least as good as black-box fuzzing on error detection
- Both extensions allow coverage exploration
- Boosted grey-box fuzzing is most efficient

