What a large test suite!! I only wanted to test the the test cases that use BuggyClass1!!

Ontology-based Unit Test-case Generation

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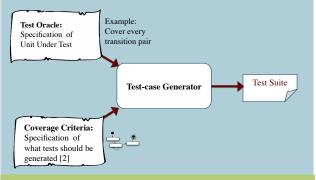
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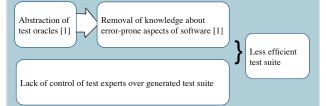


Introduction

A Test Generator System



Problem

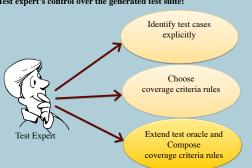


Solution

The solution is to allow a test expert to:

- 1- Extend test oracle with their knowledge [1].
- 2- Define custom coverage criteria [1,3].

Test expert's control over the generated test suite:



Ontology based Testing

1. Generate Test Structures:

A test structure denotes the structure of a single test case.

Model the test oracle in an ontology and extend it with expert knowledge.

Define coverage criteria rules:

criteria for selection of test structure based on test oracle and expert knowledge -> structure of a test case Generate test structures using reasoning.

2. Check Redundancy of a Test Structure:

Define redundancy checking rules:

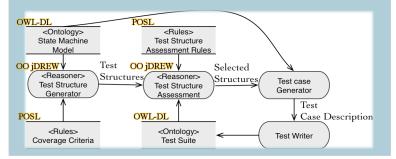
specification of a test structure based on the test suite ontology -> existence of a test case

Use reasoning to Identify existence of a test with a given test structure in a partially generated test suite ontology.

3. Generate Test-cases:

Generate test cases for a test structure that is not satisfied by the test suite and add it to the test suite ontology.

System Architecture



Concluding Remarks

Ontology based representation of test oracle is extensible and empowers test experts to use their knowledge and define custom overage criteria to generate efficient test suites.

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