Differential Privacy for Coverage Analysis of Software Traces (Artifact)

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Abstract

We propose a differentially private coverage analysis for software traces. To demonstrate that it achieves low error and high precision while preserving privacy, we evaluate the analysis on simulated traces for 15 Android apps. The open source implementation of the analysis, which is in Java, and the dataset used in the experiments are released as an artifact. We also provide specific guidance on reproducing the experimental results.

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1 Scope

We provide the implementation of the randomization algorithms as described in the research paper. Our experimental evaluation was conducted based on the implementation and the input data, which is simulated software traces for 15 Android apps. The artifact includes both the implementation and the input data.

In the evaluation section of the research paper, we show the experimental results of the proposed differentially private trace coverage analysis for each app in terms of the following measurements:

- Error for all covered traces.
- Recall and precision of the identified hot traces.
- Comparison of the relaxed version and strict version of the hot trace identification algorithm, in terms of their recall and precision.
- Error for identified hot traces.

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Comparison of three different privacy budget choices \((\ln(3), \ln(9), \text{and} \ln(49))\) in terms of error for all covered traces. Following the documentation of the artifact, one should be able to fully reproduce these results.

2 Content

The artifact package includes:
- A self-contained Docker image that includes the source code and data for reproducing the experimental results described in the paper.
- A detailed documentation (in PDF format) that provides guidance on how to use the artifact and how to reproduce the experimental results.

3 Getting the artifact

The artifact endorsed by the Artifact Evaluation Committee is available free of charge on the Dagstuhl Research Online Publication Server (DROPS). In addition, the artifact is also available at: https://presto-osu.github.io/ecoop21/.

4 Tested platforms

The artifact has been tested on two following platforms:
- Mac OS X 10.15.6
- Ubuntu 18.04.5 LTS (Bionic Beaver)

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7  Size of the artifact
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