

Course Overview

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Course Information

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- Textbook: Xavier Rival and Kwangkeun Yi, Introduction to Static Analysis: an Abstract Interpretation Perspective, MIT Press, 2020.

Why Take This Course?

- Learn principled approaches for estimating SW behaviors
- Learn how to build specialized tools for software diagnosis
- Can be applied to improve reliability, security, performance, etc.

History of SW Bugs

— The Ariane Rocket Disaster (1996)



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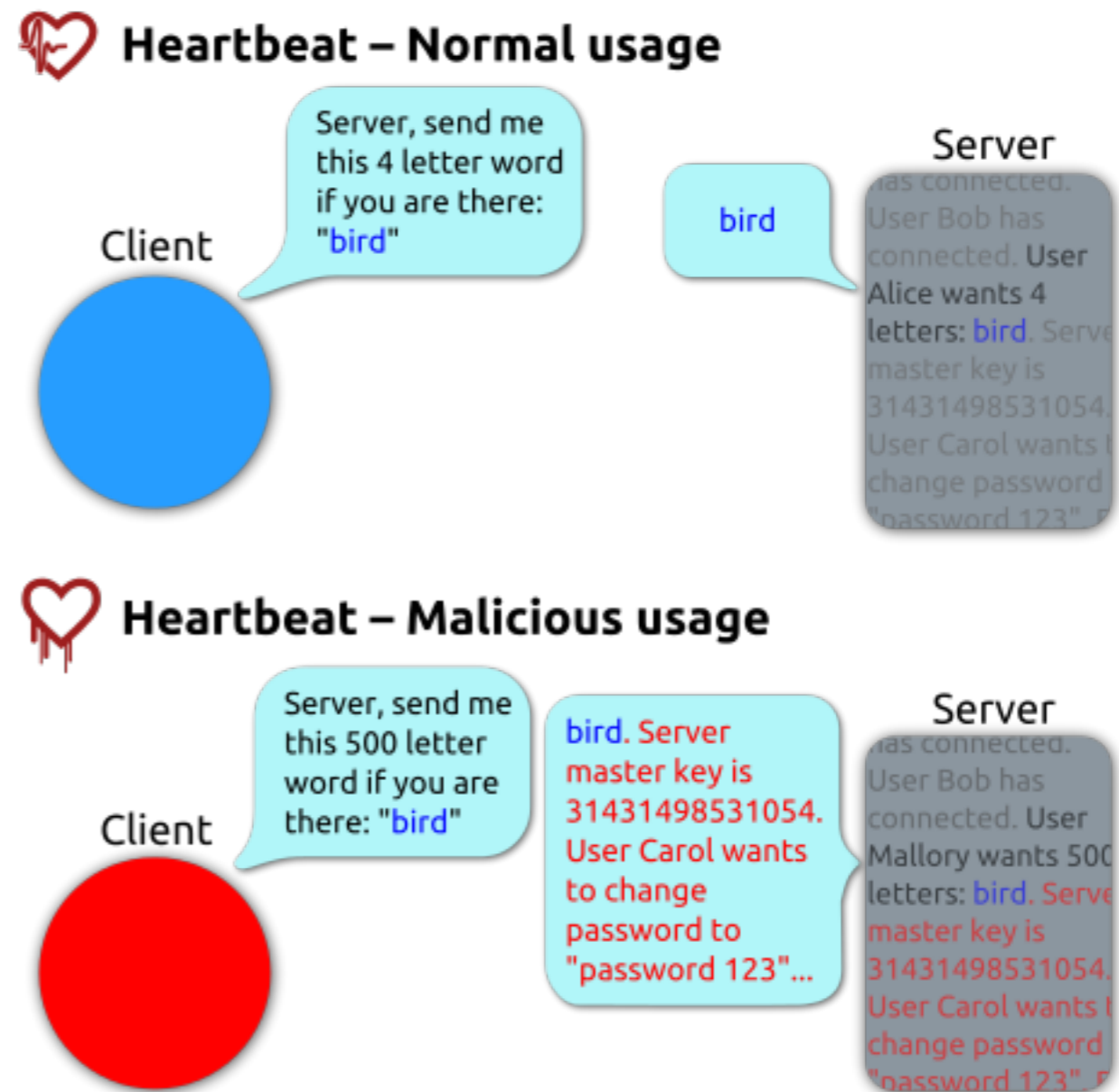
History of SW Bugs

— The Ariane Rocket Disaster (1996)

- Caused due to numeric overflow error
 - Attempt to fit 64-bit format data into 16-bit space
- Cost
 - \$100M for loss of mission
 - Multi-year set back to the Ariane program
- Read more at : <http://www.around.com/ariane.html>

History of SW Bugs — Heartbleed (2014)

- A security bug in the OpenSSL cryptography library
- Released: 2012 Feb
- Discovered: 2014 April
- Due to buffer-overflow error



History of SW Bugs



Knight Capital Trading Glitch (2012)
— \$ 440M



Nissan Airbag Malfunction (2014)
— 1 Million Vehicles Recalled



Boeing 747 Max Crashes
— 350 people died

- **(1998) NASA's Mars climate orbiter lost in space. Cost: \$125 million**
- **(2000) Accidents in radiation therapy system. Cost: 8 patients died**
- **(2007) Air control system shutdown in LA airport. Cost: 6,000 passengers stranded**

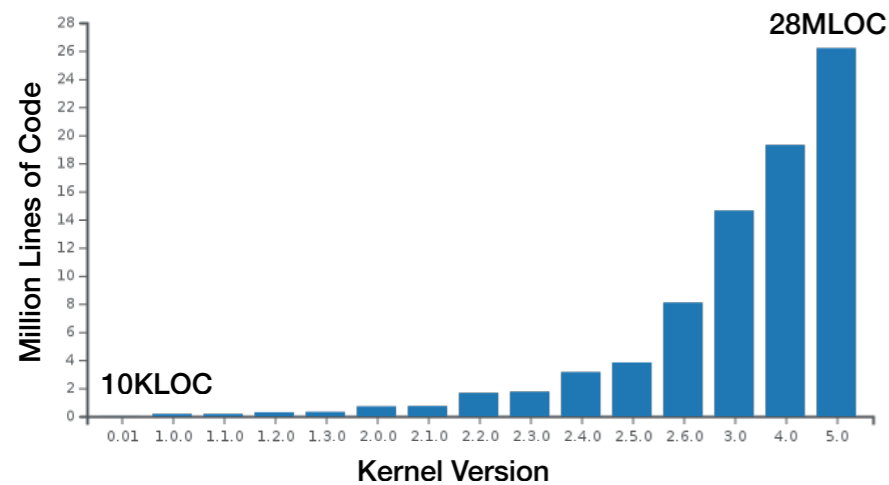
... Countless software projects failed in history.

Damage of SW Bugs

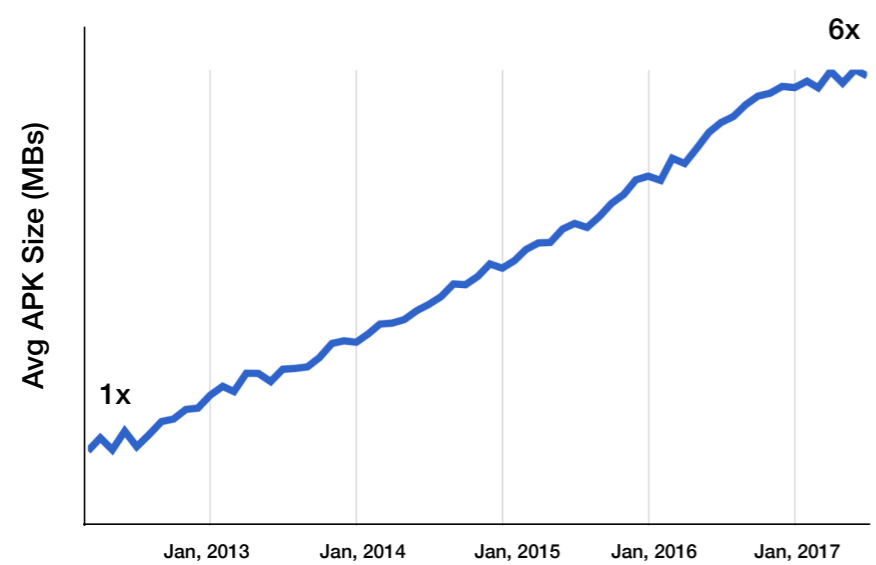
- According to CISION PR Newswire (2020.05), SW bugs cost \$ 61 Billion loss in productivity annually.
- According to Software Fails Watch (Tricentis, 2017), SW bugs lead to \$ 1.7 Trillion revenue lost.

Why Software Fails?

Size of Linux Kernel



Avg. Size of Android Apps



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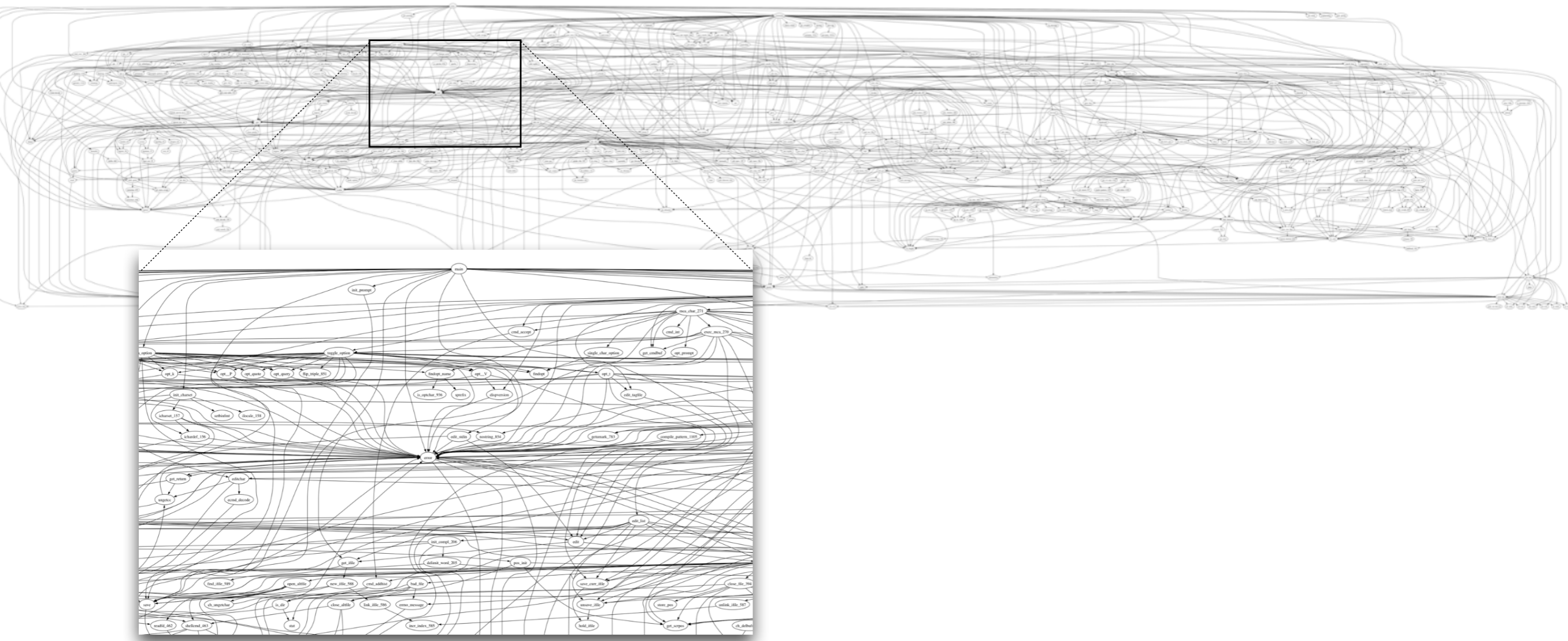


GitHub

10M+ New Developers
44M+ New Repositories
87M+ New Pull Requests
in 2019

SW Complexity

less-382 (23,822 LOC)



Program Analysis

- Body of work to discover useful facts about programs
- Broadly classified into three kinds:
 - Dynamic (execution time)
 - Static (compile-time)
 - Hybrid (combines dynamic and static)

Dynamic Analysis

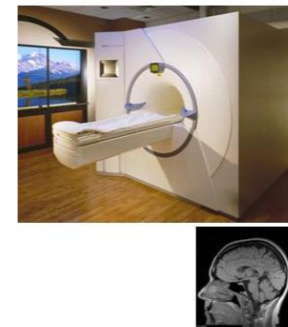
- Infer facts of program by monitoring its runs
- Examples:
 - Purify: array bound checking
 - Eraser: datarace detection
 - Valgrind: memory leak detection

Static Program Analysis (focus of this course)

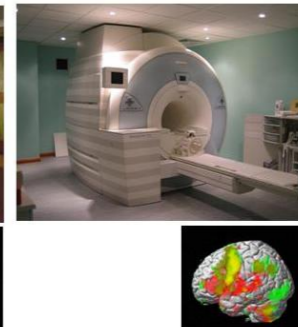
A **general** method for
automatic and **sound approximation** of
sw run-time behaviors
before the execution

- “**before**”: statically, without running sw
- “**automatic**”: sw analyzes sw
- “**sound**”: all possibilities into account
- “**approximation**”: cannot be exact
- “**general**”: for any source language and property
 - ▶ C, C++, C#, F#, Java, JavaScript, ML, Scala, Python, JVM, Dalvik, x86, Excel, etc
 - ▶ “buffer-overflow?”, “memory leak?”, “type errors?”, “x = y at line 2?”, “memory use $\leq 2K$?”, etc

SW MRI



SW fMRI



SW PET



Various Static Analysis Tools

**Domain-specific
Verification**



Windows Device Driver
Microsoft

**General-purpose
Bug-finding**



Stanford / Synopsys



Facebook



SNU / Fasoo.com



Mathworks

Astrée

Airbus Controller
ENS / AbsInt



GrammaTech



Semmle / Github



JuliaSoft

Course Objective: Theory

Abstract Interpretation: A powerful theoretical framework for designing correct static analysis

- “**framework**” : correct static analysis comes out, reusable
- “**powerful**” : all static analyses are understood in this framework
- “**simple**” : prescription is simple
- “**eye-opening**” : any static analysis is an abstract interpretation

Course Objective: Practice

Programming assignments

- 4 main + 1 pre-requisite
- You will write static analyzers in OCaml (<https://ocaml.org>)
- Simple, safe, realistic and high-level programming language
- Submit yours to TA via email