A Dataset of High Impact Bugs: Manually-Classified Issue Reports



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Background

A great number of bugs are found not only before but also after releasing products. A manager must prioritize reported bugs to be

fixed. Many studies proposed methods to support bug-triaging. However, in these studies, each bug is equally treated without considering its impact on the bug management process and

software products.

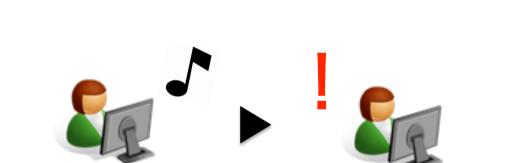
High impact bugs

Process bug

A process bug is a bug that affects a bug management process.

■ Blocking bug [Valdivia'14 etc.]

A bug that blocks other bugs from being fixed



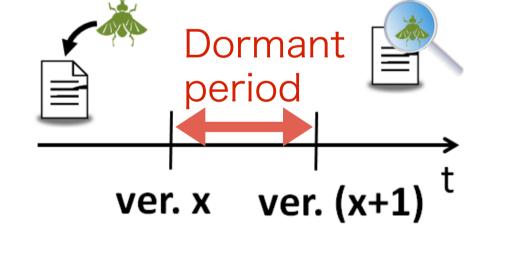
■ Surprising bug [Shihab'11]

A bug that appears in unexpected timing and location

d pre-release post-release

■ Dormant bug [Chen'14]

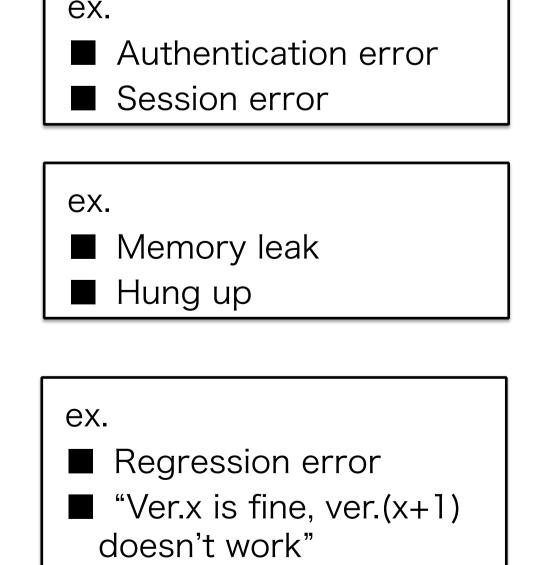
A bug that was introduced in one version of a system but was not reported until the next immediate version



Product bug

A product bug is a bug that affects the quality of software products.

- Security bug [Gegick'10 etc.]
 A bug that has security risks
- Performance bug [Nistor'13]
 A bug that makes system's performance degrade
- Breakage bug [Shihab'11]
 A functional bug that was made by code modifications to add new features or to fix



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Dataset: http://goo.gl/r53j7w

Dataset

Which bug

should I fix first?

Manager

Issue report data has been collected from the Apache Ambari, Camel, Derby, and Wicket projects which JIRA is used for managing reported issues.

session error!

wrong docs! hung up!
lost my data! can't login!

wrong result!

	All the issues in Nov. 20 2014	Our Dataset	
		BUG	IMPROVEMENT
Ambari	8,389	871	129
Camel	8,063	580	420
Derby	6,772	734	26
Wicket	5,769	663	337

Manual Classification: Results

