# A DATASET FOR DYNAMIC DISCOVERY OF SEMANTIC CHANGES IN VERSION CONTROLLED SOFTWARE HISTORIES

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# SEMANTIC HISTORY SLICING

Goal: Given a version-controlled software history, identify code changes related to a particular high-level functionality.

#### Uses:

- > Assist in transferring functionalities across branches
- Produce focused pull-requests
- > Locate features [SPLC'17]
- Etc.

Semantic History Slice: A (minimal) sub-sequence of a change history that preserves the functionality of interest as defined by a set of test cases.



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# CHALLENGES IN EVALUATING SEMANTIC HISTORY SLICING

- Need a significant number of well-documented functionalities
- > Functionalities should be accompanied by test cases
- Need ground truth

Difficult to obtain!

Time consuming

#### **Contribution of this work:**

> 98 items of semantic change data, collected from 10 open-source Java projects.

### **DATASET CREATION**

- Chose well-documenting projects
  - > 10 Apache Java projects, using JIRA for issue tracking
- Chose projects with test cases
  - > Functionalities committed together with a test suite

- Obtained ground truth
  - > Ran a delta debugging-style partitioning algorithm, to produce 1-minimal slices
    - > 1-minimal removing a single commit makes the result invalid

#### **DATA SCHEMA**

Meta-data: YAML

Example: CALCITE-1168

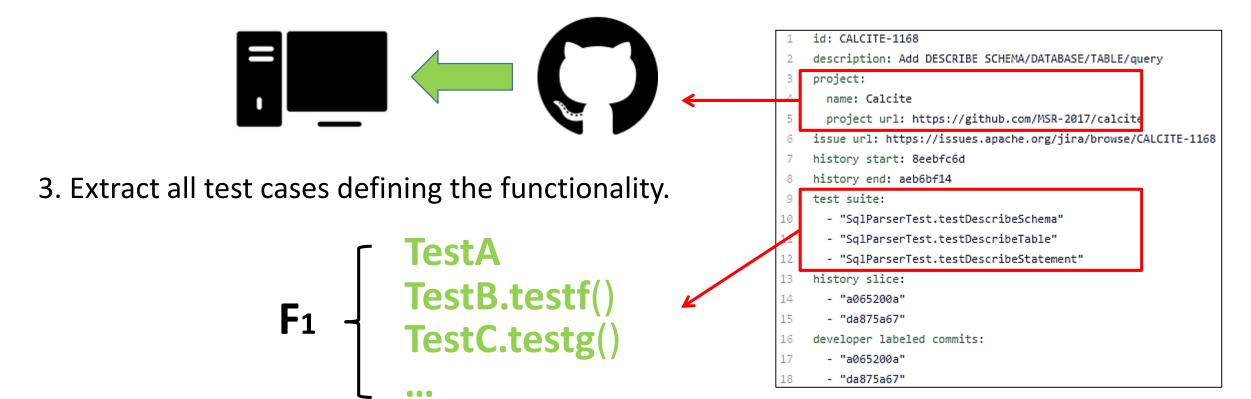
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id: CALCITE-1168
description: Add DESCRIBE SCHEMA/DATABASE/TABLE/query
project:
  name: Calcite
 project url: https://github.com/MSR-2017/calcite
issue url: https://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/CALCITE-1168
history start: 8eebfc6d
history end: aeb6bf14
test suite:
  - "SqlParserTest.testDescribeSchema"

    "SqlParserTest.testDescribeTable"

  - "SqlParserTest.testDescribeStatement"
history slice:
  - "a065200a"
  - "da875a67"
developer labeled commits:
  - "a065200a"
  - "da875a67"
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#### HOW TO USE THE DATASET

- 1. Pick a functionality (e.g., CALCITE-1168), view the meta-data.
- 2. Clone the project repository to the local machine.





# **HOW TO USE THE DATASET**

4. Extract the starting point and the ending point of the history segment

(SHA-1-expressed commit number)



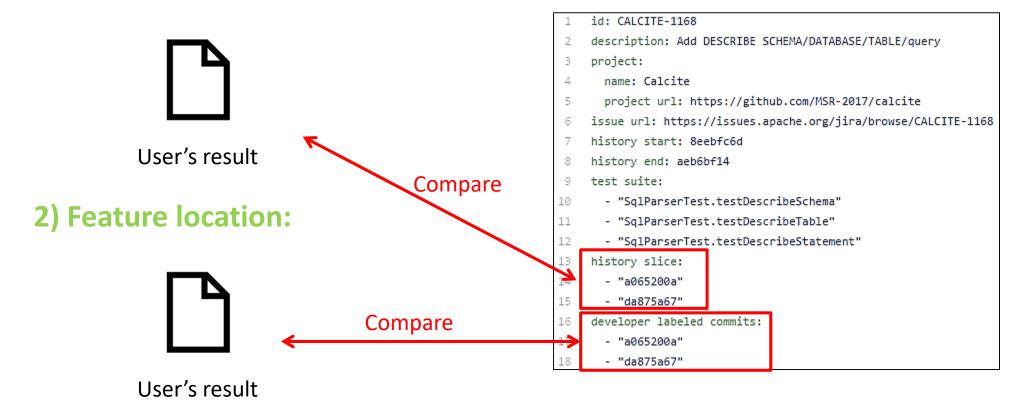
5. Using the selected test cases (Step 3) and history segment (Step 4) as input, run the history slicing/feature location tool to be evaluated





#### HOW TO USE THE DATASET

- 6. Compare the obtained result with ground truth we provide
  - 1) Semantic History Slicing:





# **DATASET OVERVIEW**

Project	#F	#R	Avg. Commits	Avg. Files	Avg. LOC	Avg. Tests	Avg. Slice	Avg. Reduce (%)
commons-lang	20	4	334.25	191.75	17423.95	5.55	43.1	87.11
calcite	18	7	89.83	332.67	31150.78	3.39	6.61	92.64
maven	11	6	82.09	183.09	7153.27	2.27	8.18	89.24
commons-compress	9	2	155	156.33	7172.67	5	17.33	88.82
flume	9	3	104.11	299.33	21355.56	4	20.22	79.82
pdfbox	5	3	203	188.4	10184	6.2	2	98.7
commons-configuration	3	2	117.33	254	54576	6	20.67	65.61
commons-net	3	2	205	188.33	7202.33	6.67	29	87.05
commons-csv	4	1	79	28	2353	3.75	42.5	46.2
commons-io	16	2	138.25	158.38	8047.44	9.5	24.06	82.59
Overall	98	32	163.74	212.79	16521.01	5.24	21.66	86.77



#### **STATUS**

URL: <a href="https://github.com/Chenguang-Zhu/DoSC">https://github.com/Chenguang-Zhu/DoSC</a>

#### Contents

- Meta-data template
- 98 pieces of data
- Our tool for obtaining 1-minimal history slice

#### Easy to extend

- ... e.g., by including more repositories
- ... or by adding histories containing bugs and failed test cases for fault localization

WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR USES AND EXTENSIONS!!!!!

Thank you!