

TPT 15 Severe Issues

Introduction

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The following document contains a list of known severe issues of TPT. By severe issues we mean issues/bugs in particular versions of TPT that:

1. might cause malfunctions in the behavior of TPT
2. are hard or even impossible to find by the TPT user herself/himself
3. cause the risk that bugs/defects in a SUT (system under test) are not detected by TPT in cases where TPT would have been able to reveal these bugs/defects in the SUT without the aforementioned malfunction in the behavior of TPT.

Usually these severe issues address the situations where the problem might appear and have well-defined workarounds.

ISSUE # 33413

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TITLE:

Assessment function REQUIREMENTS.checked() does not work correctly, if the second argument is a signal or type boolean or int and not a verdict.

ISSUE DETECTION:

07-June-2022

AFFECTED VERSIONS OF TPT:

TPT 13 to TPT 18

PRECONDITIONS:

TPT Script Assessment contains REQUIREMENTS.checked("REQ-1",check_sig) and the second argument is a signal and not the result direct via verdict.

DETAILS:

If inside a script Assesslet the function REQUIREMENTS.checked("REQ-1",check_sig) is used with a signal with a result, the function does not use the result of signal check_sig, instead the function uses the value of this signal.

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check_sig = TPT.UInt8X()  
check_sig := 0  
check_sig.setResult(TPT.PASSED)  
REQUIREMENTS.checked("REQ-1",check_sig)  
In this case "REQ-1" is marked as FAILED, instead of PASSED.
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EFFECT OF THE ISSUE:

Requirements get the wrong result.

WORKAROUND:

Use instead
REQUIREMENTS.checked("REQ-1",check_sig.getResult())

RESOLVED IN:

TPT 17u4, TPT 18u1

ISSUE # 33174

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TITLE:

TPT trigger rule, implausible interval discarding, when using "t" in 'Abort'/'Ignore intervals if' conditions.

ISSUE DETECTION:

02-May-2022

AFFECTED VERSIONS OF TPT:

TPT 13 to TPT 18

PRECONDITIONS:

The TPT project contains Trigger Rule assesslets using "t" in 'Abort'/'Ignore intervals if' conditions.

DETAILS:

In general, abort conditions influence whether an interval is used for analyzing THEN/ELSE-checks or not. If an 'Abort'/'Ignore intervals if' condition is true within such an interval, the interval is discarded and no THEN/ELSE checks take place in this particular interval.

The inconsistency arises from the use of "t" in the 'Abort condition' of "Trigger condition"-checks because "t" refers for THEN-intervals to the *global* time (time elapsed since the trigger rule evaluation started), but for ELSE-intervals to the *local* time (time since the beginning of the respective interval).

Furthermore, in the 'Ignore intervals if' condition of "While condition is true"-checks "t" refers for both, THEN- and ELSE-intervals, to the *local* time (time since the beginning of the respective interval).

Since "t" in the START/STOP conditions always refer to the global time, this should also be uniformly corrected to the *global* time in all 'Abort'/'Ignore intervals if' conditions. To avoid incompatibility for existing models, this behavior shall be able to explicitly be turned on/off in the TPT Tool Preferences (settings per model).

EFFECT OF THE ISSUE:

The intervals discarded according to 'Abort'/'Ignore intervals if' conditions containing "t" might be discarded or retained under implausible (but deterministic and well-defined) conditions.

WORKAROUND:

There is no real workaround, since the old behavior is not wrong! It is simply implausible or inconsistent and should therefore be adjusted to avoid misunderstandings. For this reason, the behavior was only adjusted via a preference option (configurable via TPT Tool Preferences): As long as this option is not selected in old TPT models, the behavior remains unchanged even after the fix to maintain compatibility. In new TPT models, however, the TPT Tool Preference option is automatically preset.

RESOLVED IN:

TPT 17u4, TPT 18u1

ISSUE # 31924

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TITLE:

RMI API is vulnerable to "CWE - 502 : Deserialization of Untrusted Data" due to used libraries. Execution of arbitrary code is possible.

ISSUE DETECTION:

02-November-2021

AFFECTED VERSIONS OF TPT:

TPT 7 to TPT 17u1

PRECONDITIONS:

- RMI/Remote API is activated in preferences and library commons-collections-3.2.1.jar is present in your TPT installation directory in "lib\commons-collections-3.2.1.jar".
- firewall allows access of RMI API from other computers

DETAILS:

If RMI API is enabled and exposed by your firewall an unauthenticated attacker could execute arbitrary code on the remote machine. Java cannot verify that serialized objects are well formed. In some cases an attacker can use modified data to execute code during deserialization. There are some known "gadgets" that can be used by an attacker. One gadget is the library commons-collections version 3.2.1. The attack can be prevented by restricting deserialization by using deserialization filters or upgrading the libraries to unvulnerable versions.

EFFECT OF THE ISSUE:

An unauthenticated attacker could execute arbitrary code on the remote machine.

WORKAROUND:

Disable RMI API or replace "lib\commons-collections-3.2.1.jar" by commons collection version 3.2.2.

RESOLVED IN:

TPT 15u5, TPT 16u4, TPT 17u2

ISSUE # 31080

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TITLE:

When using the C/C++ Platform to connect a bit-field for which data type in TPT differs from the C-Code the generated test frame might read or write the data incorrectly.

ISSUE DETECTION:

09-July-2021

AFFECTED VERSIONS OF TPT:

TPT 15 - TPT 16

PRECONDITIONS:

The C/C++ Platform is used to connect a C-Variable with a bit-field. The declared data type for the bit field differs from the data type used for the corresponding struct element in the TPT declaration.

DETAILS:

When TPT generates the get/set functions to access the bit field data via the public TPT-VM-API function "tpt_vmapi_bindSignalGetSet" or "tpt_vmapi_bindSignalGetSet_v2", TPT mistakenly used the type specified in TPT when accessing the incoming pointer. Instead the data type passed to "tpt_vmapi_bindSignalGetSet"/"tpt_vmapi_bindSignalGetSet_v2" as fixed point data type shall be used.

EFFECT OF THE ISSUE:

At test execution with the C/C++ platform the data for a bit field value may be written to

or read from the SUT incorrectly. If the bit-size of the data type in TPT and the type of the bit field does not match, the memory with the SUT or the TPT VM may be corrupted at test runtime.

WORKAROUND:

Manually check and adjust the code generated by C/C++ Platform in case of bit-field data types to use the correct data type within get/set function used with "tpt_vmapi_bindSignalGetSet" or "tpt_vmapi_bindSignalGetSet_v2".

RESOLVED IN:

TPT 16u3

ISSUE # 30102

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TITLE:

When comparing INT64 signals using Min/Max or Signal Comparison assesslet with values larger than 2^{53} or smaller than -2^{53} , the computation can incorrectly compare the signal with the reference(s) which might lead to PASSED results even if the specified bounds are exceeded.

ISSUE DETECTION:

11-January-2021

AFFECTED VERSIONS OF TPT:

TPT 8 - TPT 16

PRECONDITIONS:

The Min/Max or Signal Comparison assesslet is used with INT64 signals with values larger than 2^{53} or smaller than -2^{53} .

DETAILS:

If signal or reference values are larger than 2^{53} or smaller than -2^{53} , the difference can be missed because the values are converted and compared as double values. (Since values larger/smaller than $2^{53}/-2^{53}$ cannot be converted to double without losing precision, floating point precision problems might occur in such cases.)

EFFECT OF THE ISSUE:

Values outside of the specified bounds might be overlooked by TPT leading to

PASSED results, but should be FAILED.

WORKAROUND:

Avoid using INT64 signals in Min/Max or Signal Comparison assesslets if the values are larger than 2^{53} or smaller than -2^{53} .

RESOLVED IN:

TPT 15u4, TPT 16u1

ISSUE # 30063

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TITLE:

When iterating in assessment scripts via an inlined loop and applying signal processing functions like TPT.average(), TPT.min(), ... with changing argument in each loop, the result of the first iteration is incorrectly used for the following iterations.

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16-December-2020

AFFECTED VERSIONS OF TPT:
TPT 8 - TPT 16

PRECONDITIONS:
The usage of the signal processing function must be applied on an expression or a signal that is being changed while iterating through an inlined loop or list comprehension.

DETAILS:
For faster computation of timed expressions of the form
foo(t) := TPT.average(...)
results of signal processing functions are being cached.
The cached result is invalidated as soon as a new line is reached. When iterating through an inlined loop, the same expression is evaluated multiple times. If during this inlined iteration a variable of the expression is changed, the cached result of the signal processing function is used instead of a newly calculated.

Affected are inlined expressions of the form
for x in range(n): print TPT.min(...+x)
while x < n: x=x+1;print TPT.min(...+x)
as well as list comprehension:
my_list = [TPT.min(...+x) for x in range(n)].

EFFECT OF THE ISSUE:
Old cached values are used instead of recalculating the value in every iteration, which results in wrong computation results.

WORKAROUND:
Avoid using inlined loops or list comprehensions and use loops with indentation in multiple code lines instead.

RESOLVED IN:
TPT 15u4, TPT 16u1

ISSUE # 29261
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TITLE:
When executing tests using the FUSION platform, the mechanism "Read parameters from FUSION only once (before first test case)" does not ensure that the first test case has completed the parameter exchange before the following test cases use the parameters.

ISSUE DETECTION:
4-September-2020

AFFECTED VERSIONS OF TPT:
TPT 12, TPT 13, TPT 14, and TPT 15

PRECONDITIONS:
The checkbox "Read parameters from FUSION only once (before first test case)" must be selected in

the FUSION platform and the number of cores in the Execution Configuration dialog must be greater than 1.

DETAILS:

When running tests in multicore mode using the FUSION platform and the option "Read parameters from FUSION only once (before first test case)" is selected, the test cases are executed immediately without waiting until the parameters have been exchanged.

EFFECT OF THE ISSUE:

For tests executed in parallel (i.e. all but the first test case), not the parameter values determined during a parameter exchange are used, but the default values from the Declaration Editor (nondeterministic behavior).

WORKAROUND:

Deselect the "Read parameters from FUSION only once (before first test case)" checkbox in the FUSION platform configuration, or do not run tests in multicore mode.

RESOLVED IN:

TPT14u3, TPT15u2