

Chapter 4 Test Techniques

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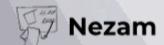
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The purpose of a test technique, is to help in identifying test conditions, test cases, and test data



Test Design Techniques

Black Box

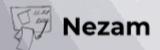
White Box

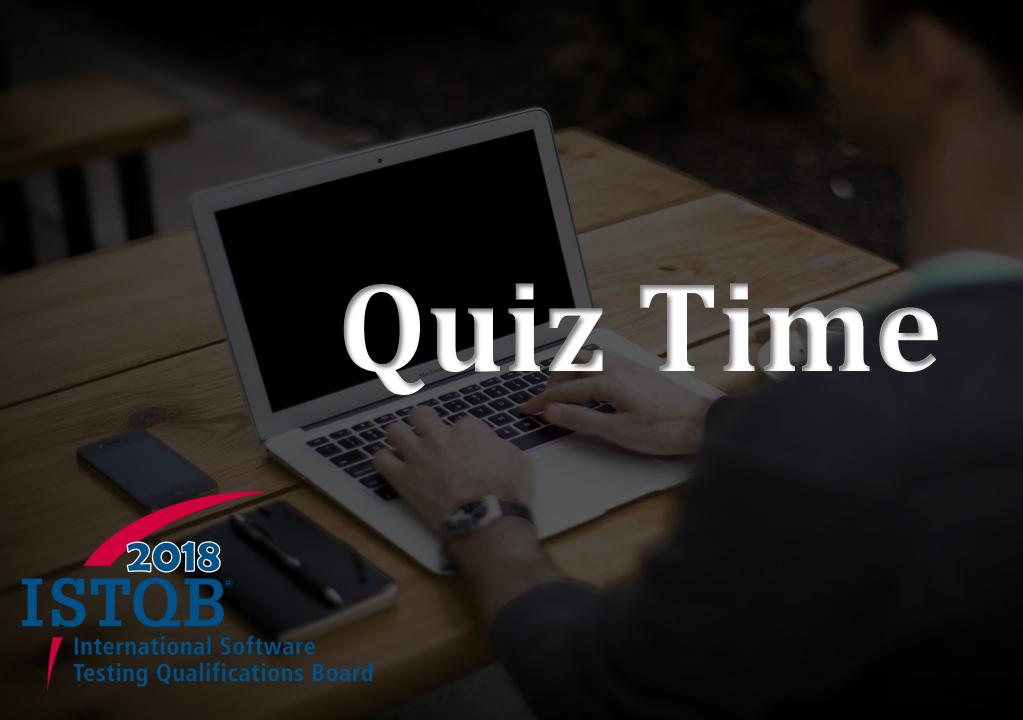
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Test Basis for Test Techniques

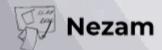
Test Technique	Test Basis
Black Box	Requirements-Use Cases-User Stories
White Box	Architecture analysis-Detailed Design-Internal Structure-Code
Experience-based	Knowledge of (Testers-Developers-Users)



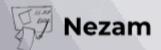




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Black-box (Behavioral) Test Techniques

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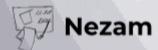


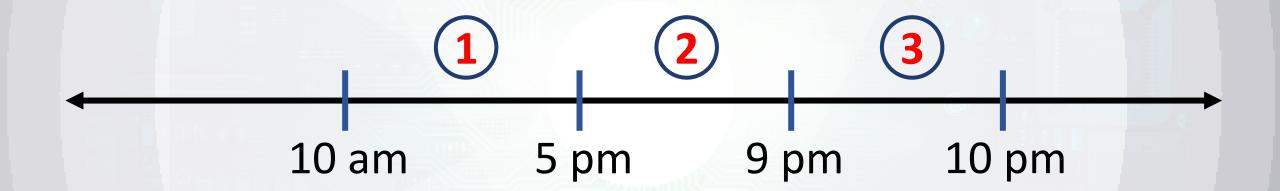
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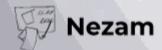
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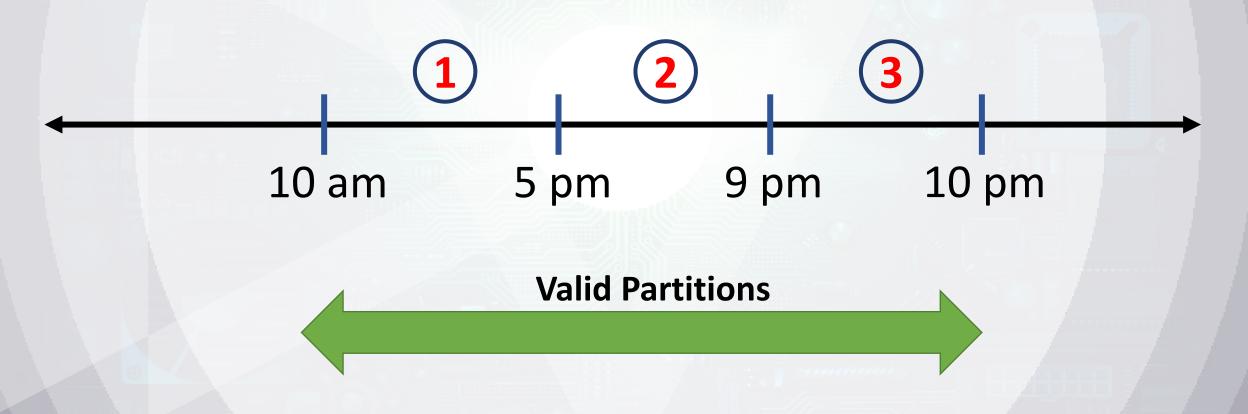




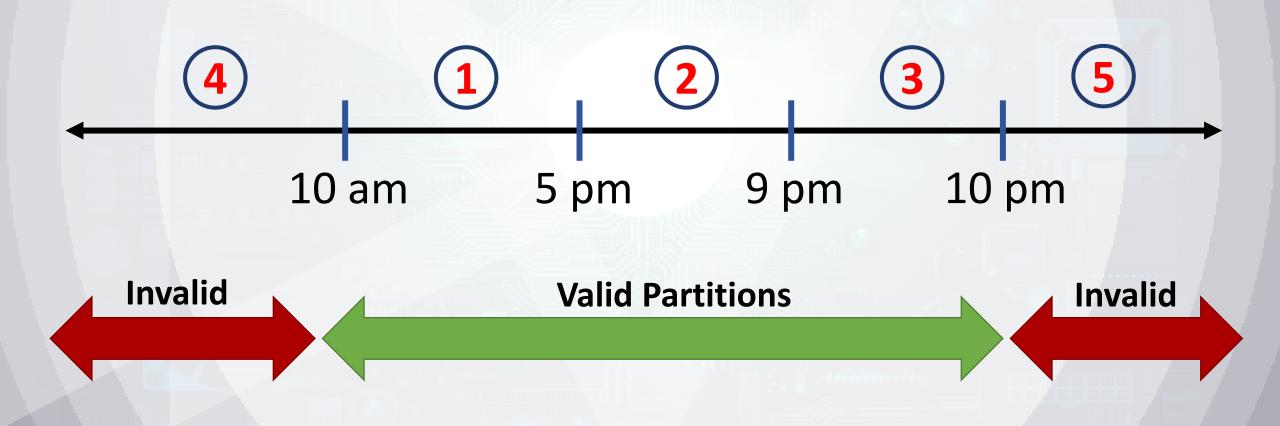






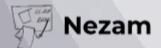






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- Partitions are called equivalence classes
- Partition that contains valid values is called a "valid equivalence partition"
- Partition that contains invalid values is called an "invalid equivalence partition"
- Each value must belong to one and only one equivalence partition
- Any partition may be divided into sub partitions if required
- Coverage is measured as the number of equivalence partitions tested by at least one value, divided by the total number of identified equivalence partitions
- When invalid equivalence partitions are used, they should be tested individually



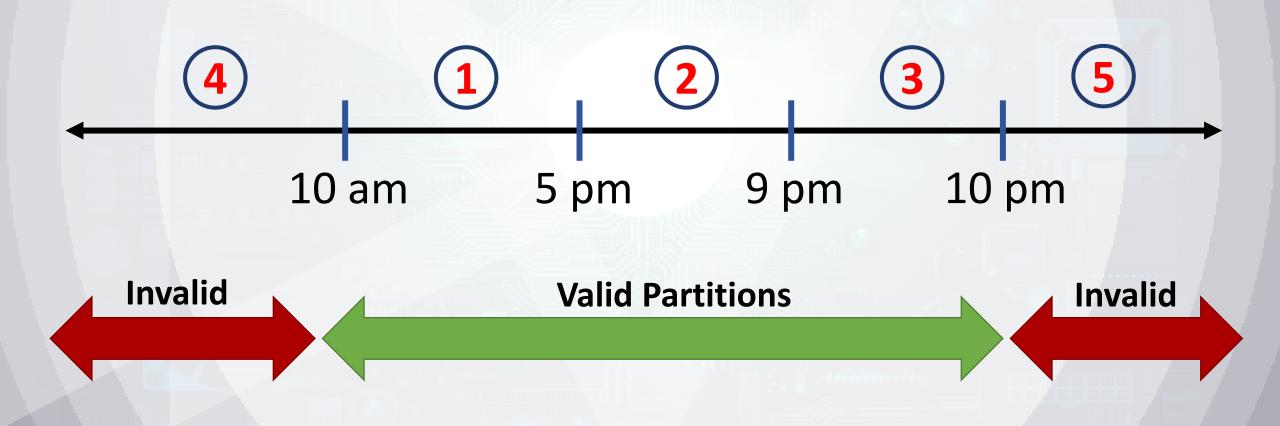
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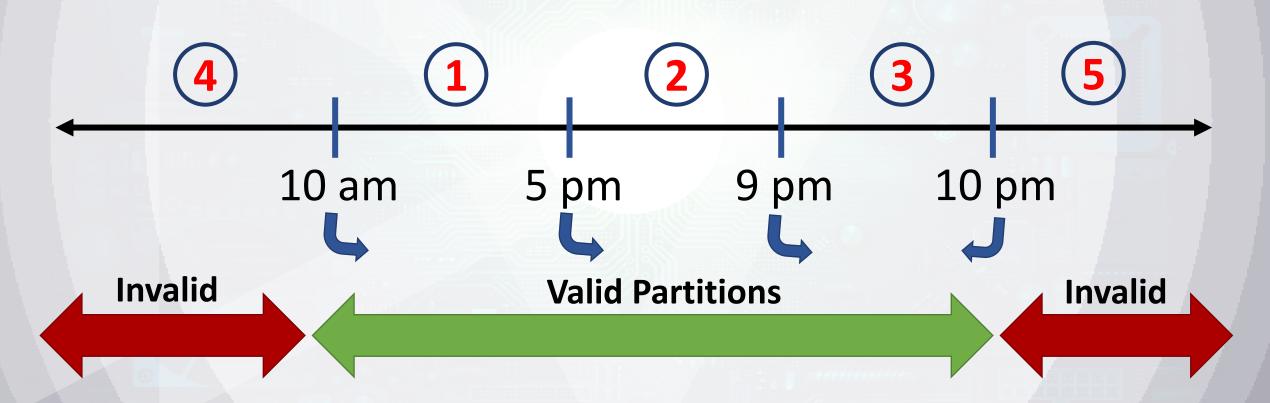


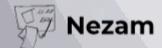






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- Boundary value analysis (BVA) is an extension of equivalence partitioning, but can only be used when the
 partition is ordered. The minimum and maximum values of a partition are its boundary values.
- Some variations of this technique identify three boundary values per boundary: the values before, at, and
 just over the boundary
- Boundary value analysis can be applied at all test levels. This technique is generally used to test requirements that call for a range of numbers
- Boundary coverage for a partition is measured as the number of boundary values tested, divided by the total number of identified boundary test values, normally expressed as a percentage



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- A Software testing course is created depending on this criteria:
 - 1. If the trainee is a student, he will get 20 % discount
 - 2. If the trainee is unemployed, he will get 20 % discount
 - 3. The trainee can't be both "student & employed" at the same time
 - 4. If the trainee is a student in (or a graduate from) computer science department, he will be directed to the advanced course group





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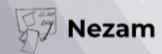


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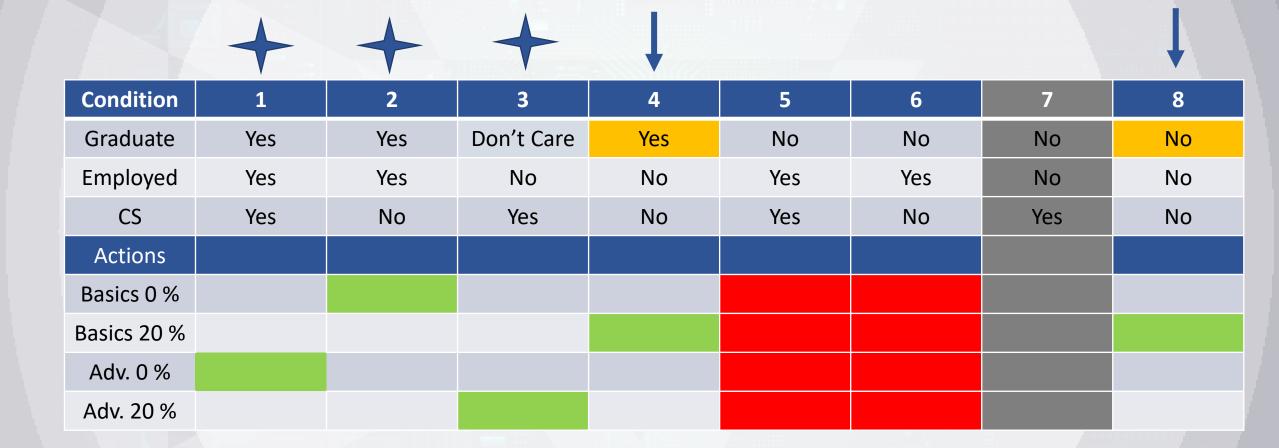






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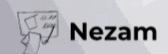








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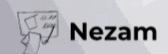


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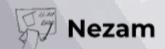
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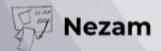


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You can apply a trick: Test cases = Number of actions + 1



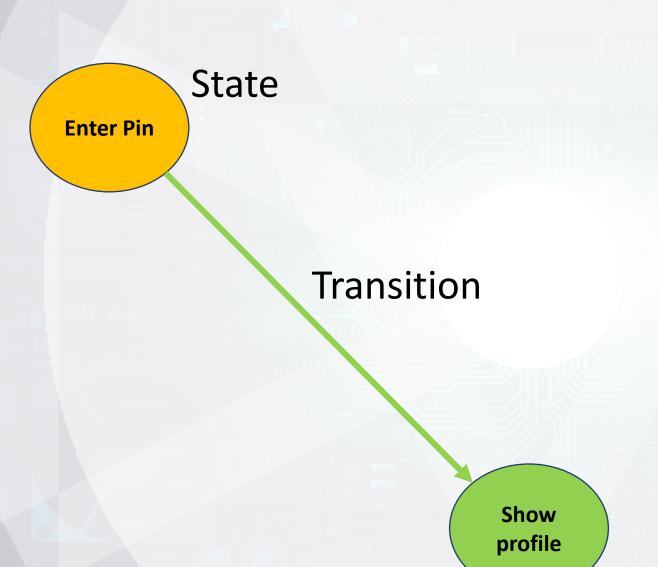
- Each column corresponds to a decision rule that defines a unique combination of conditions which results in the execution of the actions associated with that rule.
- The values of the conditions and actions are usually shown as Boolean values (true or false) or discrete values (e.g., red, green, blue), but can also be numbers or ranges of numbers.
- These different types of conditions and actions might be found together in the same table
- The table can be collapsed by deleting columns containing impossible combinations of conditions, columns containing possible but infeasible combinations of conditions, and columns that test combinations of conditions that do not affect the outcome
- The common minimum coverage standard for decision table testing is to have at least one test case per decision rule in the table.
- Coverage is measured as the number of decision rules tested by at least one test case, divided by the total number of decision rules, normally expressed as a percentage



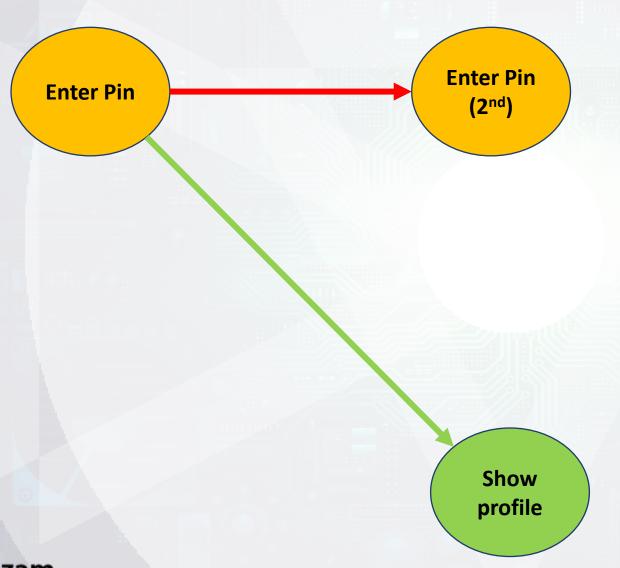
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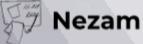
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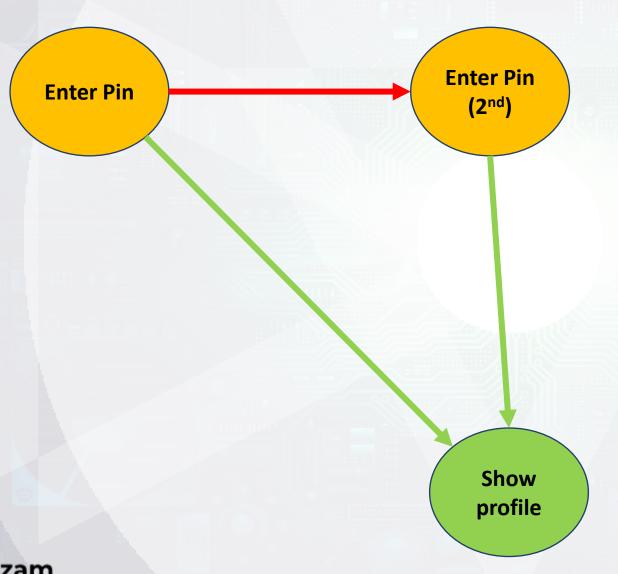


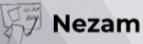


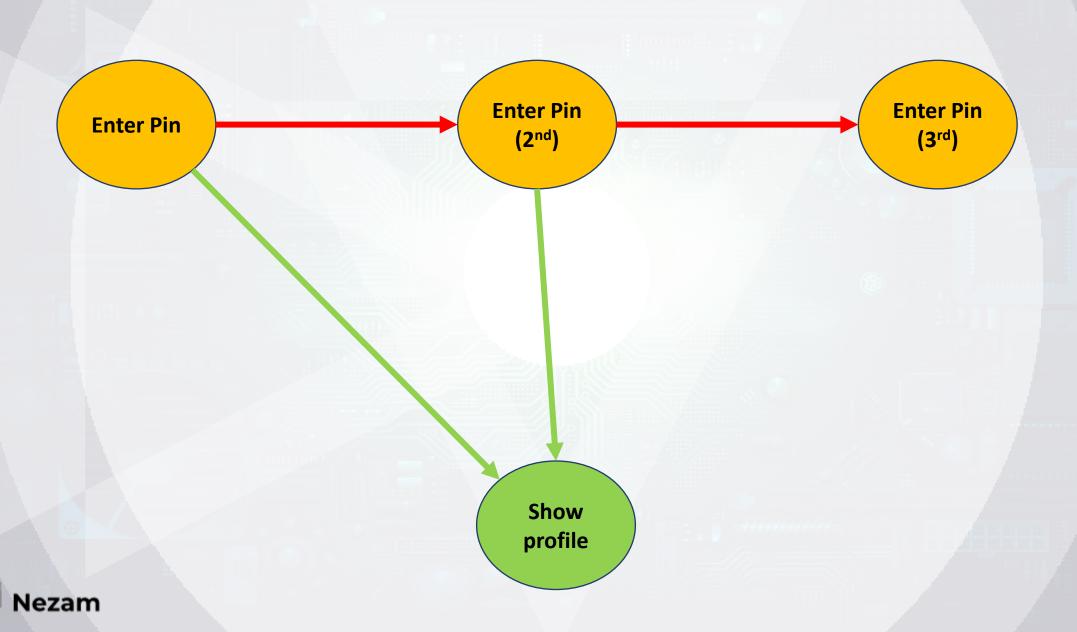


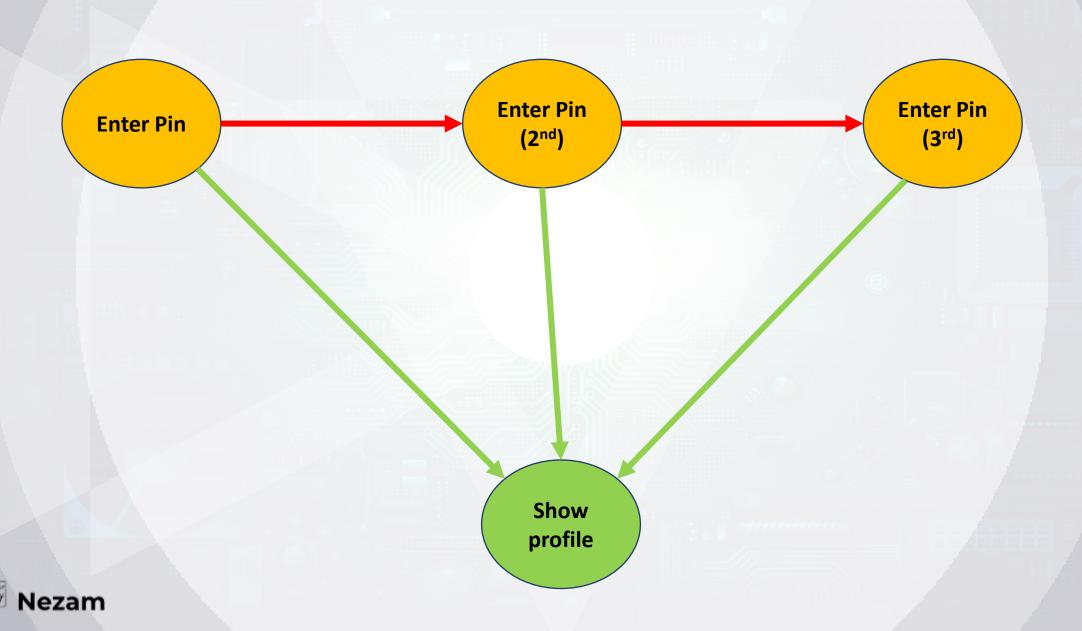


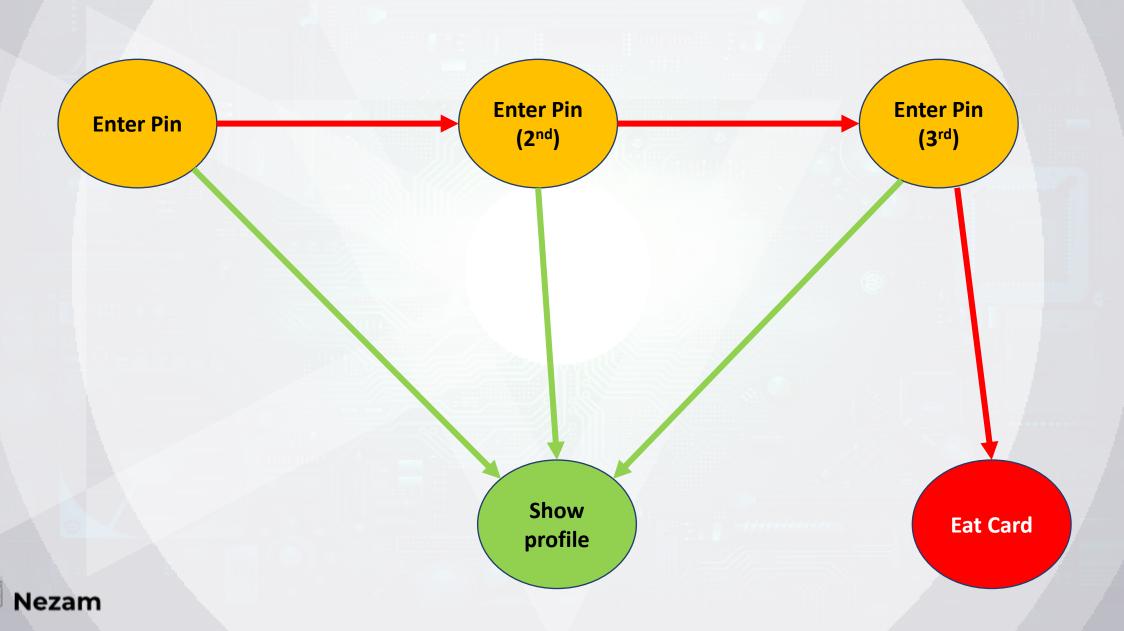


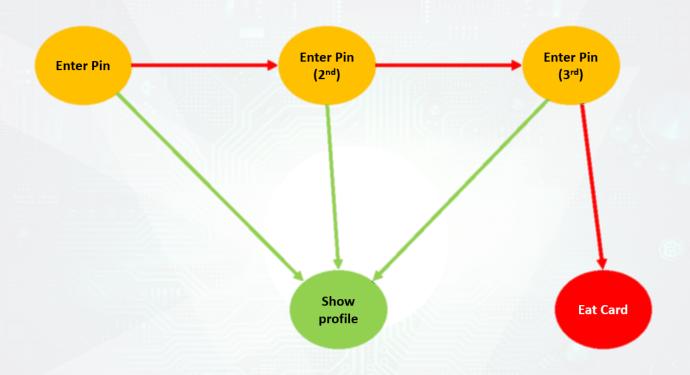






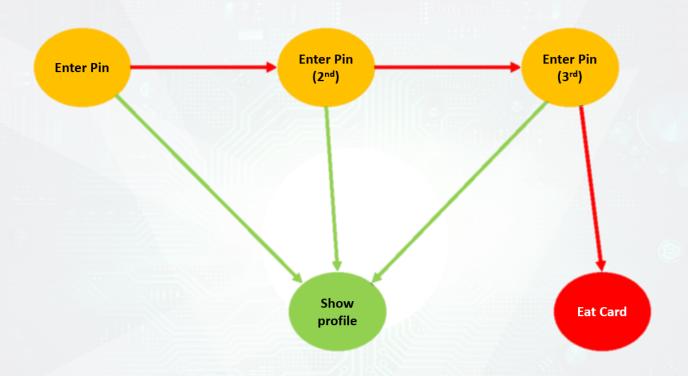




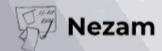


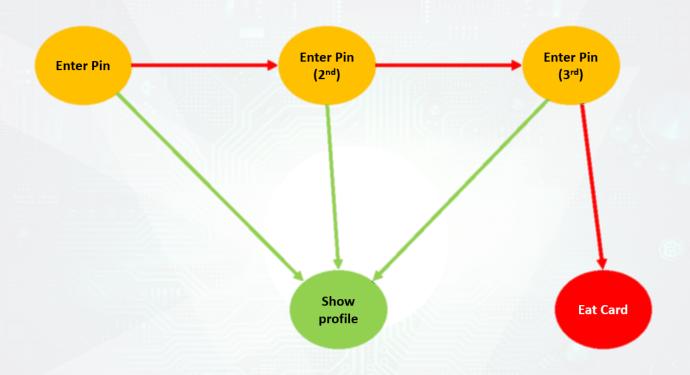
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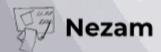


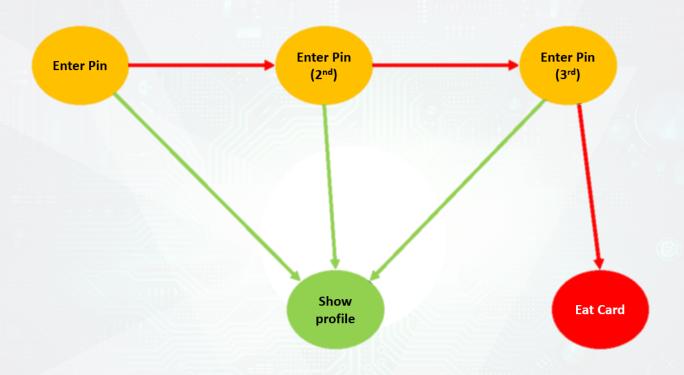
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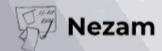


How many Test cases are required to cover all transitions?





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- A state transition diagram shows the possible software states, as well as how the software enters, exits, and transitions between states
- A transition is initiated by an event (e.g., user input of a value into a field). The event results in a transition
- The state change may result in the software taking an action (e.g., outputting a calculation or error message)
- A state transition table shows all valid transitions and potentially invalid transitions between states
- State transition diagrams normally show only the valid transitions and exclude the invalid transitions
- Tests can be designed to cover a typical sequence of states, to exercise all states, to exercise every transition, to exercise specific sequences of transitions, or to test invalid transitions
- Coverage is commonly measured as the number of identified states or transitions tested, divided by the total number of identified states or transitions in the test object, normally expressed as a percentage



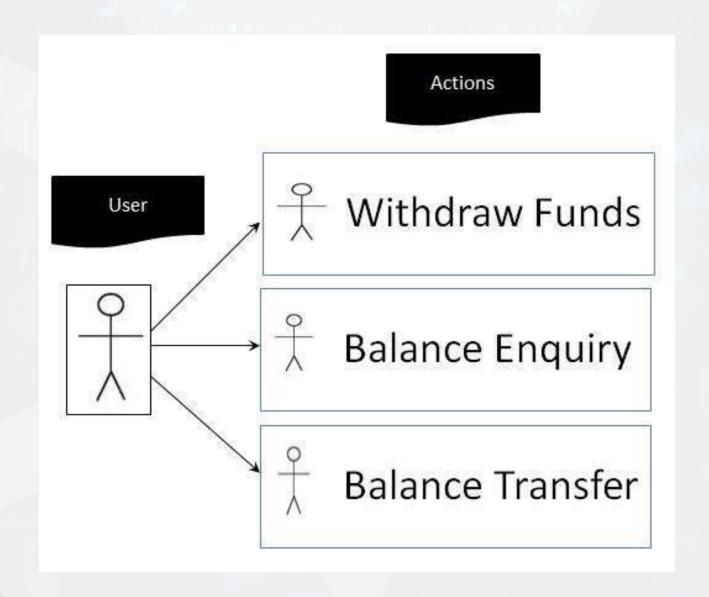


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Use Case Testing

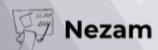




Use Case Testing

	Step	Description
Main Success Scenario	1	A: Inserts card
A: Actor	2	S: Validates card and asks for PIN
S: System	3	A: Enters PIN
3. System	4	S: Validates PIN
	5	S: Allows access to account
	2a	Card not valid S: Display message and reject card
Extensions	4a	PIN not valid S: Display message and ask for re-try (twice)
	4b	PIN invalid 3 times S: Eat card and Exit

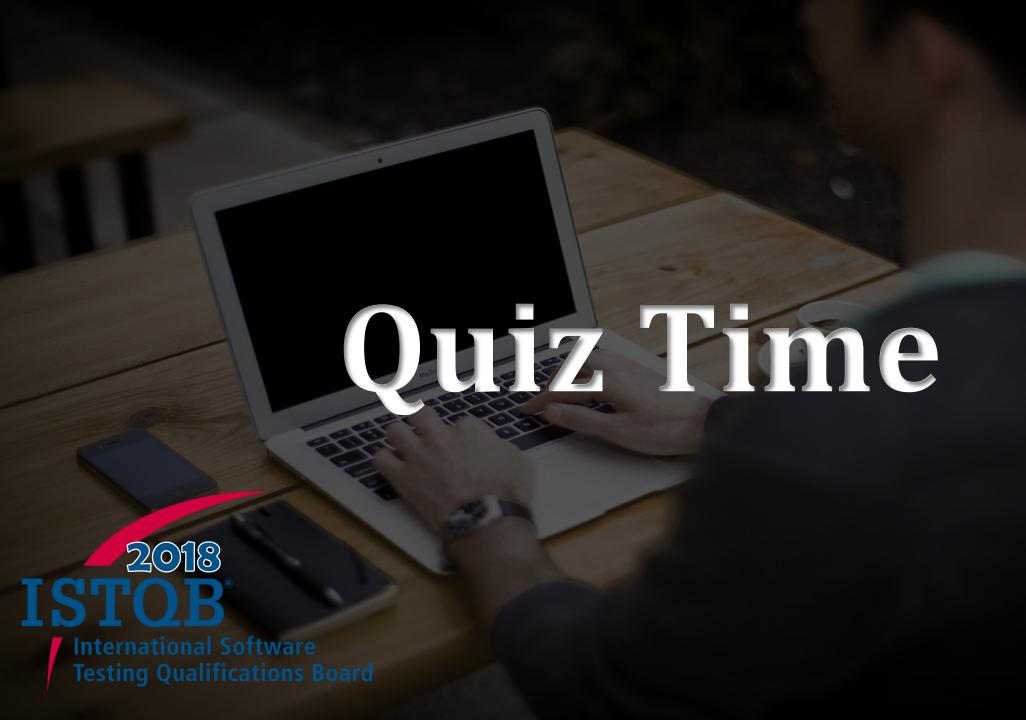
A Partial Use Case for PIN Entry



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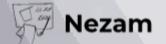
- Use cases are associated with actors (human users, external hardware, or other components or systems) and subjects (the component or system to which the use case is applied).
- Each use case specifies some behavior that a subject can perform in collaboration with one or more actors
- A use case can be described by interactions and activities, as well as preconditions, postconditions and natural language where appropriate.
- A use case can include possible variations of its basic behavior, including exceptional behavior and error handling
- Tests are designed to exercise the defined behaviors
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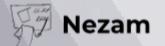




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- The categories are: less than or equal to 2 years, more than 2 years but less than 5 years, 5 or more years, but less than 10 years, 10 years or longer.
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- If you drive faster than 60 km/h, your driving license will be suspended.
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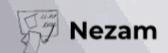
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- C. T7 and T8
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Cond2	Agreed Target ?	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Cond3	Achieved Target ?	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
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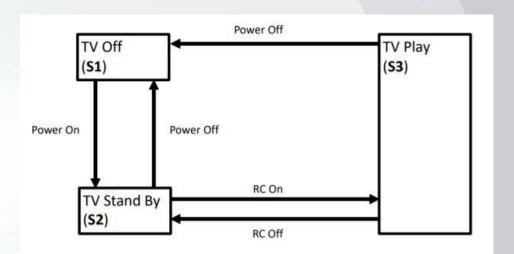


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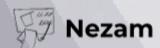
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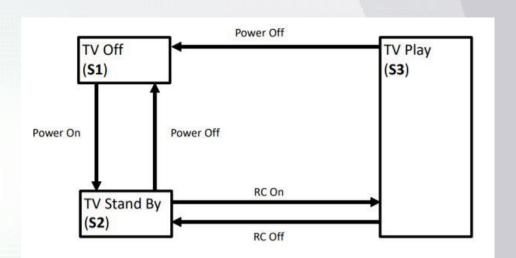
- Which of the following statements about the given state transition diagram and table of test cases is TRUE?
- The given test cases can be used to cover both valid and invalid transitions in the state transition diagram
- b. The given test cases represent all possible valid transitions in the state transition diagram
- c. The given test cases represent only some of the valid transitions in the state transition diagram.
- d. The given test cases represent sequential pairs of transitions in the state transition diagram



Test Case	1	2	3	4	5
Start State	S1	S2	S2	S3	S3
Input	Power On	Power Off	RC On	RC Off	Power Off
Expected Final State	S2	S1	S3	S2	S1



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Test Case	1	2	3	4	5
Start State	S1	S2	S2	S3	S3
Input	Power On	Power Off	RC On	RC Off	Power Off
Expected Final State	S2	S1	S3	S2	S1



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 - 2. 1280x720.
 - 3. 1600x1200.
 - 4. 1920x1080.

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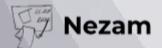
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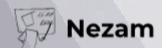
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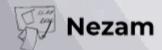


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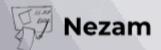
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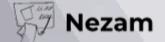
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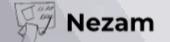
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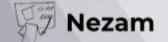
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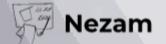
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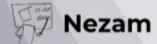
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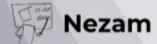
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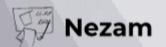
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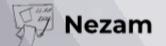
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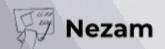
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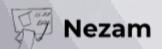
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- C. 69,70,75,76
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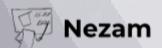
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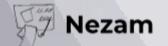
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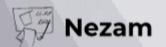
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- Which of the following is the correct decision table for the following pseudocode for ordering a hamburger?
- Note: if you add or delete items from the basic burger, you no longer get the basic burger.

Test #	1	2	3	4	5	6
Conditions						
Add items	Υ	Υ	N	N	N	N
Delete items	N	N	Υ	Υ	N	N
Add fries	Υ	N	Υ	N	Υ	N
Results						
Basic burger	Υ	Υ	N	N	Υ	Υ
Burger –	N	N	Υ	Υ	N	N
items						
Added items	Υ	Υ	N	N	N	N
Fries	N	N	Υ	N	Υ	N



Table (1)

while items to be deleted

Ask customers which item

Delete item

End while

End if

If customer wants fries

Add fries to order

End if

Complete order

Start;

Select basic burger

Complete order

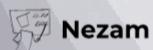
End

If customer adds items

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Test #	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Conditions								
Add items	Y	Y	Υ	Y	N	N	N	N
Delete items	Υ	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	N
Add fries	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N
Results								
Basic burger	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y
Deleted items	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	N
Added items	Υ	Y	Y	Υ	N	N	N	N
Fries	Υ	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N

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Delete items	N	N	N	N	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
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Results								
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items								
Added items	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	N	N	N	N
Fries	Υ	N	N	N	Υ	N	Υ	N

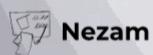


Table (3)

```
Start;
Select basic burger
If customer adds items
while items to be added
Ask customer which item
Add item
```

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End if

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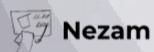


Table (4)

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Select basic burger
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while items to be added
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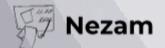
End

Complete order

- You are testing an e-commerce transaction that has the following states and transitions:
- 1. Login (invalid) > Login
- 2. Login > Search
- 3. Search > Search
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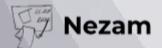
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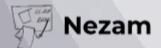
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```
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```

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B. 4
```

C. 3

D. 2

```
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      if (result > 0)
            print ("red", result)
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```

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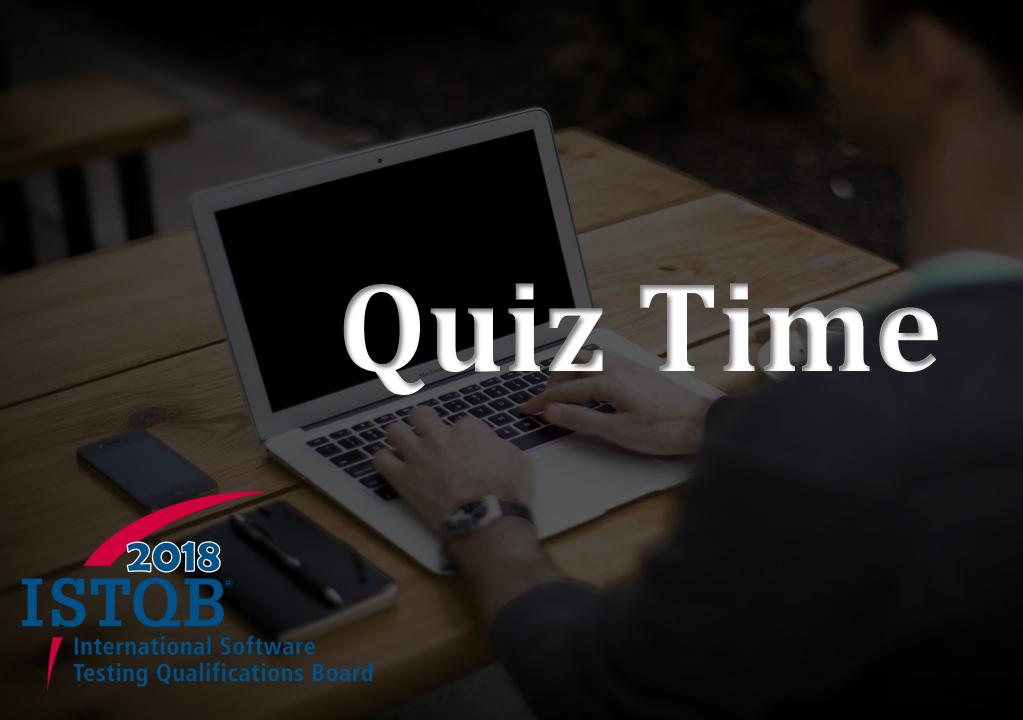
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End if



How to measure statement coverage?

$$Statement\ coverage = \frac{Number\ of\ statements\ covered}{Total\ number\ of\ statements}$$







Which one of the following is the BEST description of statement coverage?

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- b. It is a metric, which is used to calculate and measure the percentage of statements in the source code which have been executed
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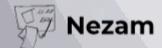
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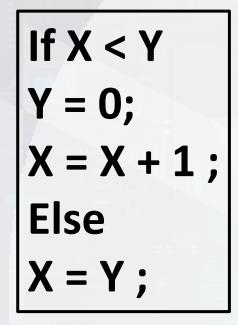


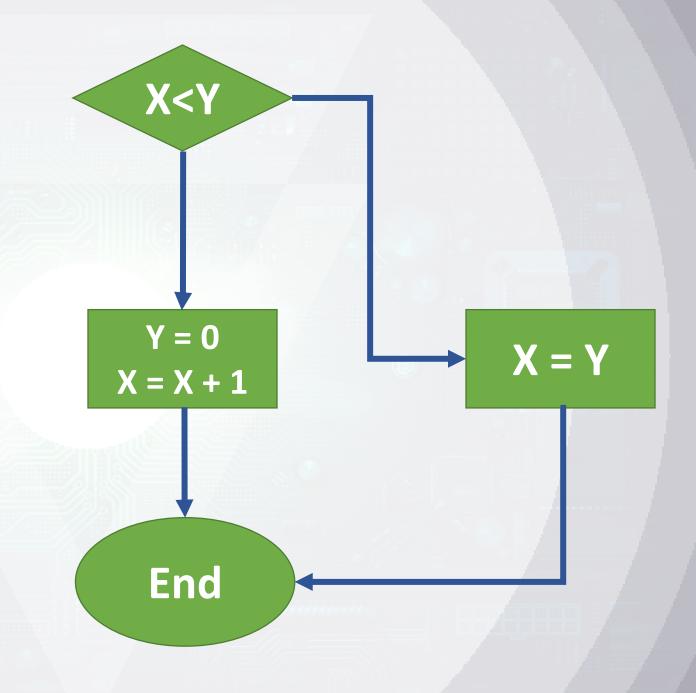
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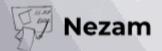
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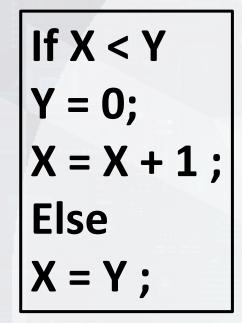
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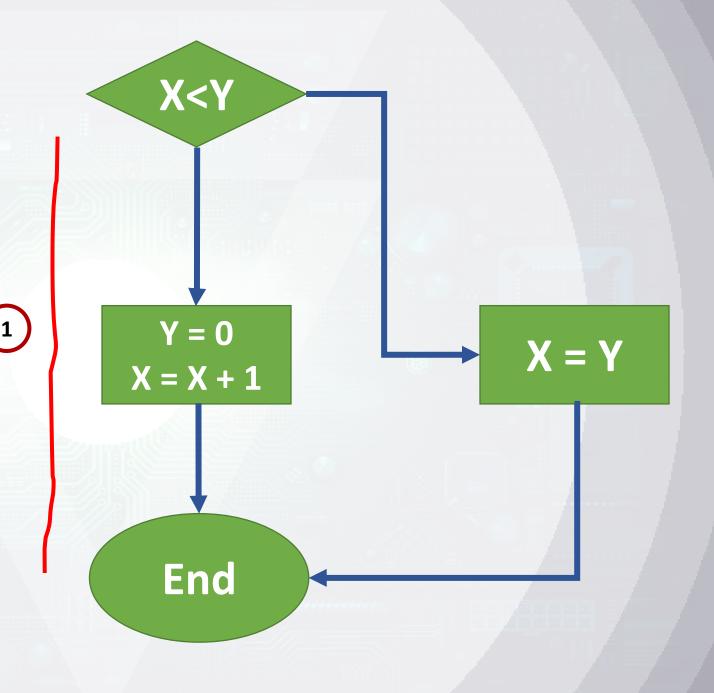


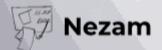


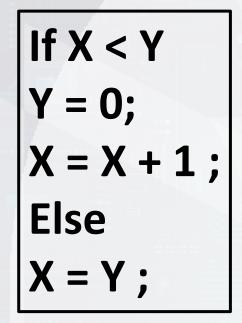


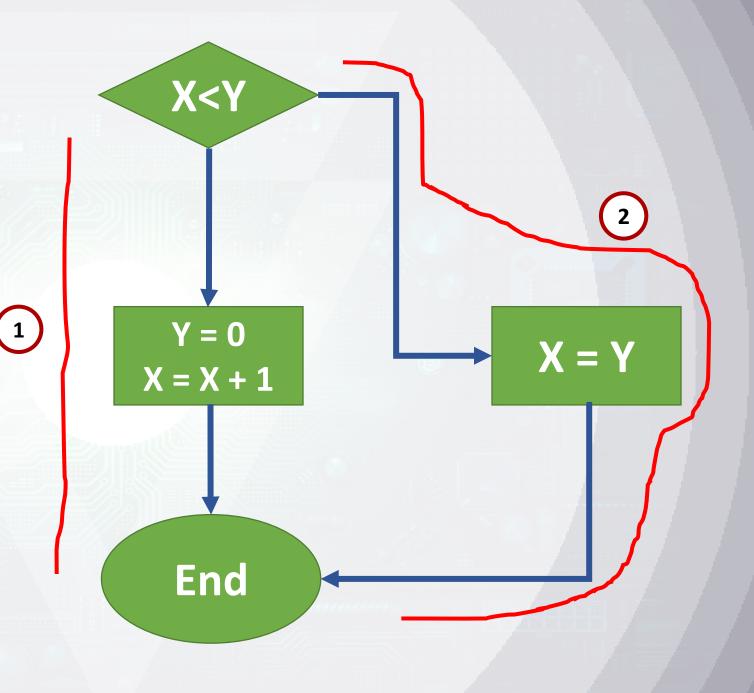


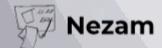


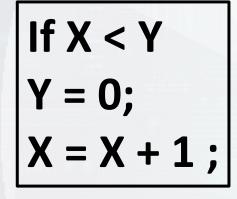


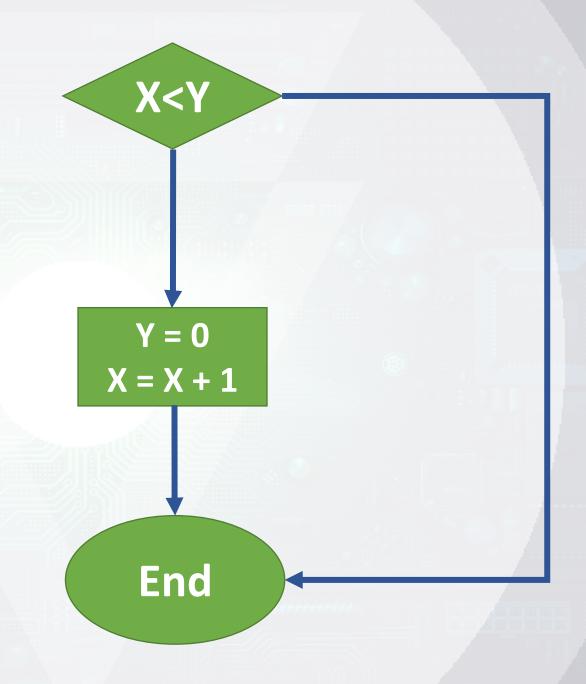




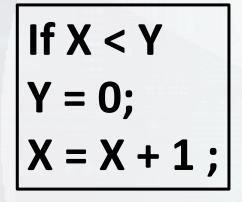


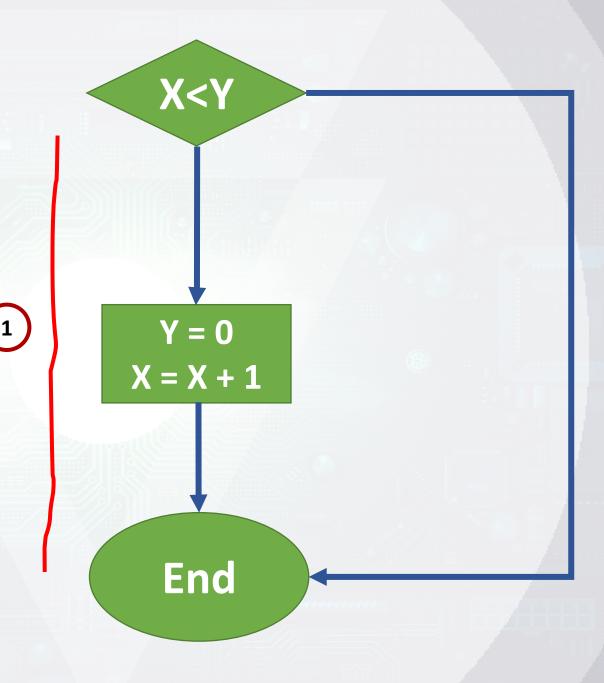




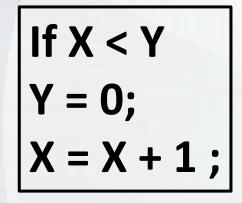


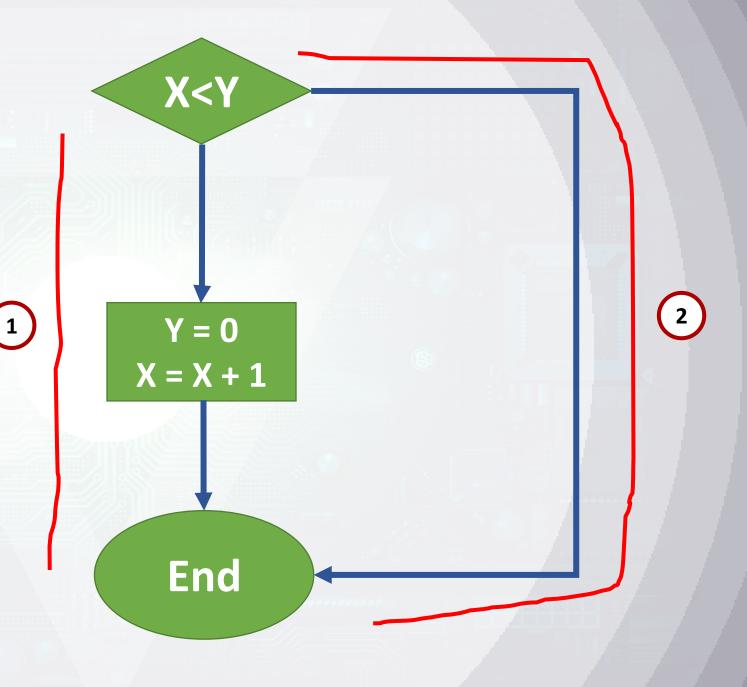


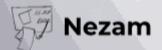


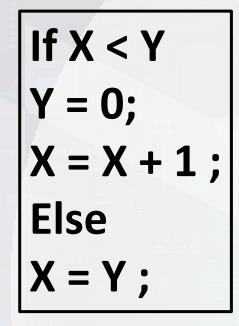




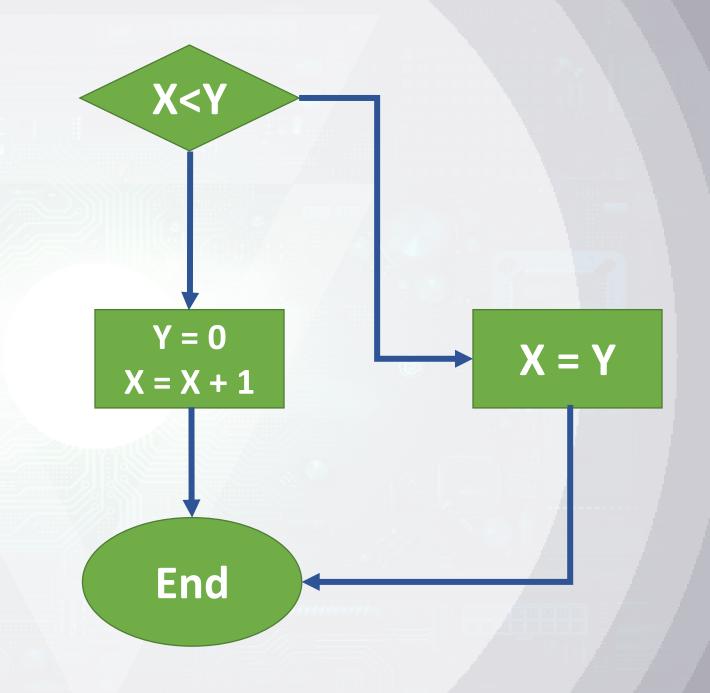


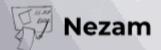


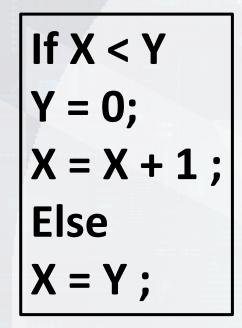




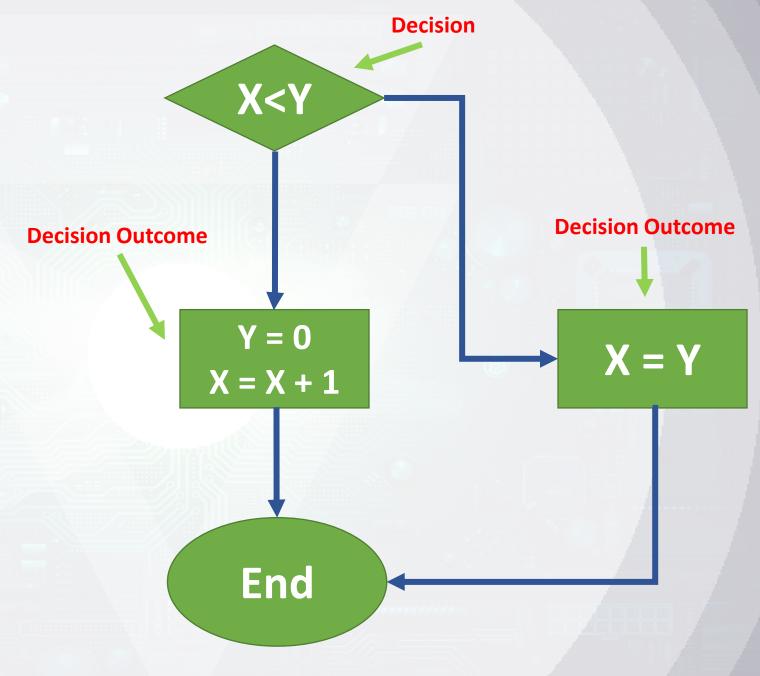
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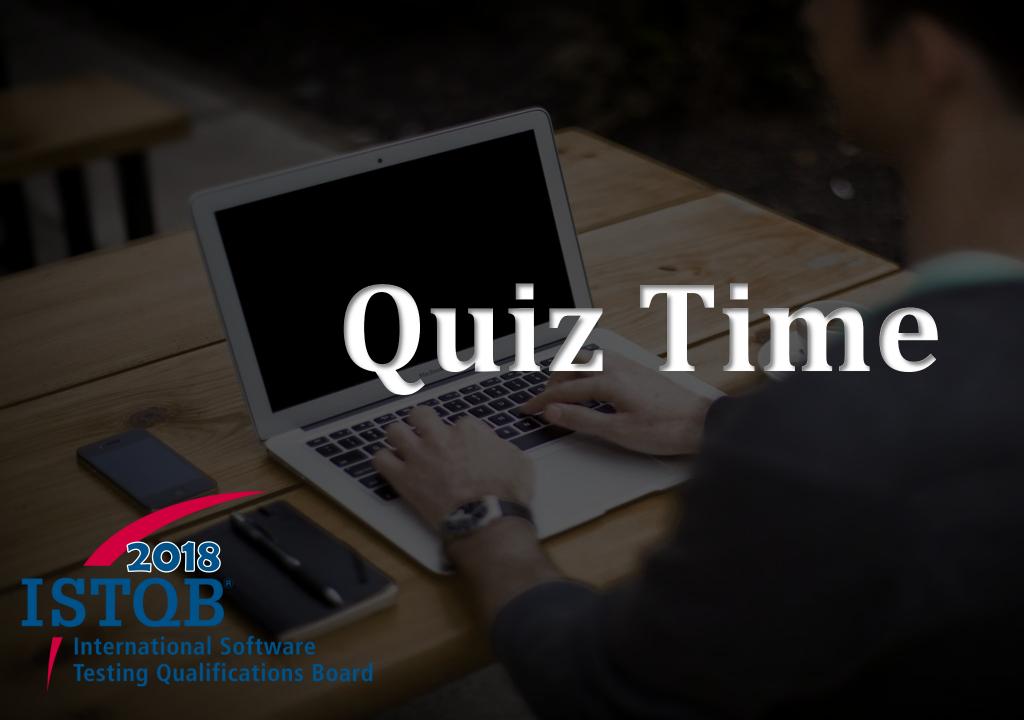




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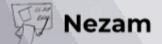
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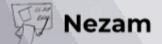




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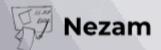
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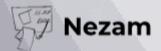
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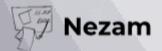
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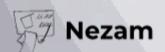
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Experience-based Test Techniques

- When applying experience-based test techniques, the test cases are derived from the tester's skill and intuition, and their experience with similar applications and technologies.
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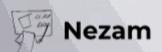




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- Depending on the tester's approach and experience, these techniques may achieve widely varying degrees of coverage and effectiveness.
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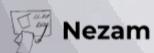




Error Guessing

- Error guessing is a technique used to anticipate the occurrence of mistakes, defects, and failures, based on the tester's knowledge, including:
 - How the application has worked in the past
 - What types of mistakes the developers tend to make
 - Failures that have occurred in other applications





Error Guessing

- A methodical approach to the error guessing technique is to create a list of possible mistakes, defects, and failures, and design tests that will expose those failures and the defects that caused them.
- These mistake, defect, failure lists can be built based on experience, defect and failure data, or from common knowledge about why software fails.

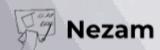




Exploratory Testing

- In exploratory testing, informal tests are designed, executed, logged, and evaluated dynamically during test execution.
- The test results are used to learn more about the component or system, and to create tests for the areas that may need more testing.
- Exploratory testing is sometimes conducted using session-based testing to structure the activity.





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 In session-based testing, exploratory testing is conducted within a defined time-box, and the tester uses a test charter containing test objectives to guide the testing.

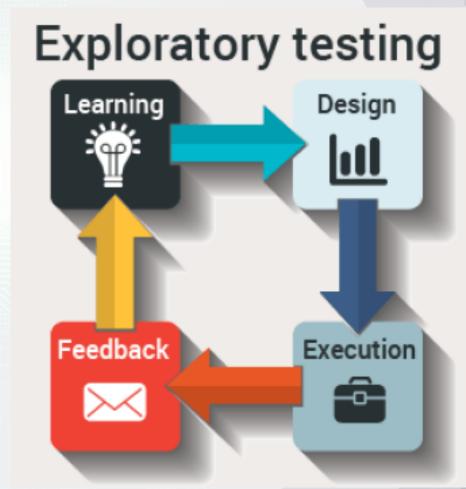
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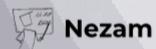




Exploratory Testing

- Exploratory testing is also useful to complement other more formal testing techniques.
- Exploratory testing is strongly associated with reactive test strategies.
- Exploratory testing can incorporate the use of other black-box, white-box, and experience-based techniques.

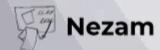




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- In checklist-based testing, testers design, implement, and execute tests to cover test conditions found in a checklist.
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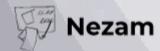


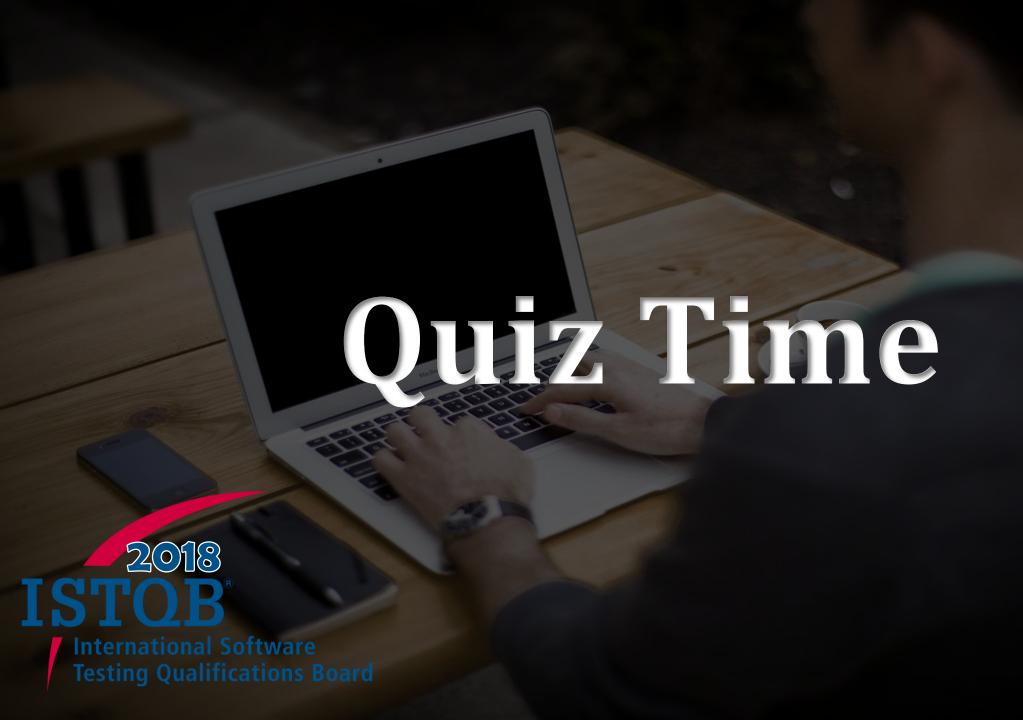


Checklist-based Testing

- Checklists can be created to support various test types, including functional and non-functional testing.
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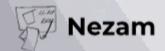






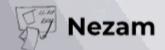
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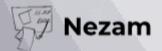


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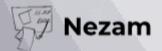
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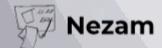
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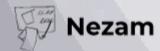
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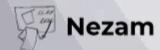
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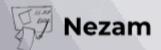
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