

Task 2: Souce code complexity

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Halstead's program volume



The Halstead's program volume is a metric to calculate the complexity of a program without running it directly

You can calculate:

- Difficulty
- Effort (time)
- Implementation time
- Volume
- Length
- Vocabular

What you need:

- All Operands (Identifier, Typename, Typespec and Constants)
- All Operators (+,-,*,==,>,...etc.)

Parameters needed	Description
n1	Number of distinct operators
n2	Number of distinct operands
N1	Total number of operators
N2	Total number of operands

Value	Formula
<i>Halstead Difficulty (D)</i>	$D = (n1 / 2) * (N2 / n2)$
<i>Halstead Length (N)</i>	$N = N1 + N2$
<i>Halstead CalculatedLength (Nx)</i>	$Nx = n1 * \log_2(n1) + n2 * \log_2(n2)$
<i>Halstead Volume (V)</i>	$V = N * \log_2(n)$
<i>Halstead Effort (E)</i>	$E = V * D$
<i>Halstead Vocabulary (n)</i>	$n = n1 + n2$

```
void sort ( int *a, int n ) {
    int i, j, t;
```

```
    if ( n < 2 ) return;
    for ( i=0 ; i < n-1; i++ ) {
        for ( j=i+1 ; j < n ; j++ ) {
            if ( a[i] > a[j] ) {
                t = a[i];
                a[i] = a[j];
                a[j] = t;
            }
        }
    }
}
```

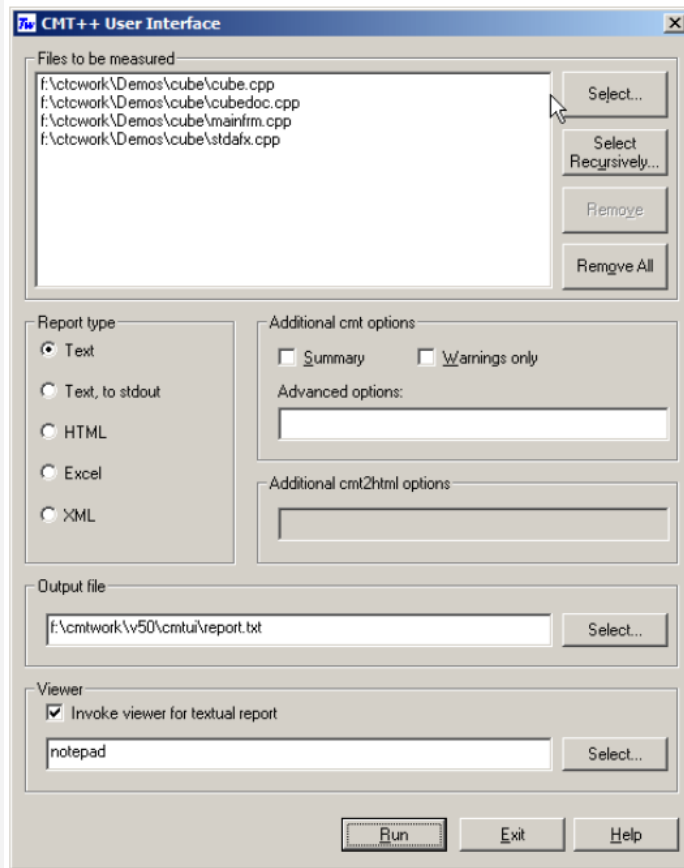
$$V = 80 \log_2(24) \approx 392$$

- Ignore the function definition
- Count operators and operands

3	<	3	{
5	=	3	}
1	>	1	+
1	-	2	++
2	,	2	for
9	;	2	if
4	(1	int
4)	1	return
6	[]		

1	0
2	1
1	2
6	a
8	i
7	j
3	n
3	t

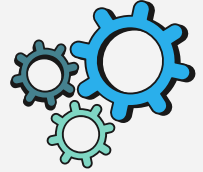
	Total	Unique
Operators	N1 = 50	n1 = 17
Operands	N2 = 30	n2 = 7



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Cyclomatic complexity

Cyclomatic complexity is used to calculate the quantitative complexity of a program



You can calculate by the amount of the atomic conditions or by calculating it with a control flowgraph using it nodes.

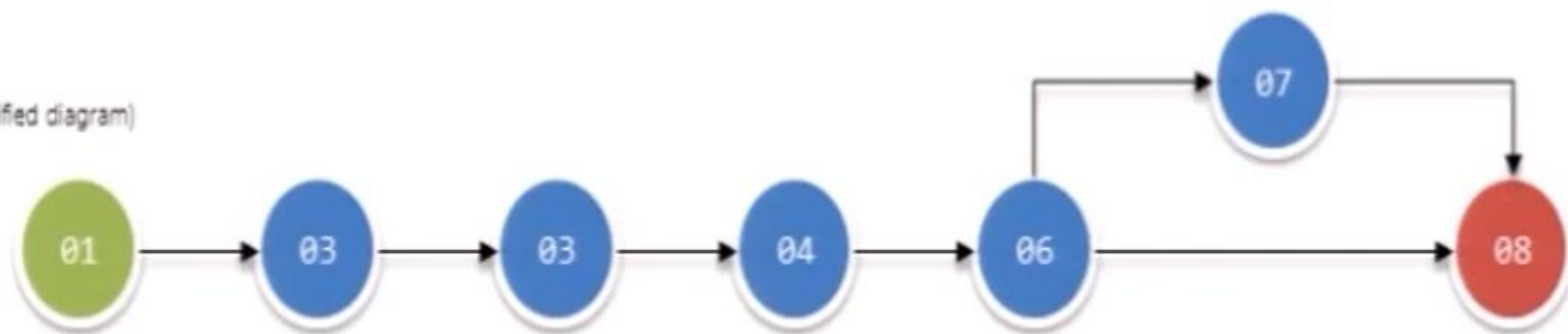
$$Z = c + 1;$$

$$M = e - n + 2p;$$

Z, M	=	complexity
c	=	atomic conditions
e	=	number of edges
n	=	number of nodes
p	=	number of connected components

```
01 void Timer::restart()  
02 {  
03     const bool wasRunning(m_time->isRunning());  
04     m_time->reset();  
05  
06     if (wasRunning)  
07         m_time->start();  
08 }
```

(simplified diagram)



```
01 void GraphicsItem::setScheme(ColorScheme * scheme)
02 {
03     m_scheme = scheme;
04
05     updateBrushes();
06     updateTooltips();
07 }
```

(simplified diagram)




```
1 int berechne(int x){
2
3     int ergebnis = 0;
4     if (x % 2 == 0) {
5         ergebnis = 2 * x;
6     } else {
7         ergebnis = 3 * x;
8     }
9     return ergebnis;
}
```

```
1 int berechne(int x){
2
3     int ergebnis = 0;
4     switch(x){
5         case 0: ergebnis = 1; break;
6         case 2: ergebnis = 17; break;
7         case 3: ergebnis = 10; break;
8         default: ergebnis = 3; break;
9     }
10    return ergebnis;
11 }
```

```
1 void regelBestimmen(int x){
2     if (x < 35)        { // Regel 1; return }
3     else if (x < 50) { // Regel 2; return }
4     else if (x < 100){ // Regel 3; return }
5     else if (x > 200){ // Sonderregel }
6     return;
7 }
```

```
1 int berechne(int x){
2
3     int ergebnis = 0;
4     if ((x % 2 == 0) && (x > 0)) {
5         ergebnis = 2 * x;
6     } else {
7         ergebnis = 3 * x;
8     }
9     return ergebnis;
}
```

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Weighted methods per class (WMC)

The WMC metric is defined as the sum of complexities of all methods declared in a class. This metric is a good indicator how much effort will be necessary to maintain and develop a particular class.

There are three methods to calculate:

- McCabe's Cyclomatic Complexity [#mcccn]_
- Lines of Code
- 1 (Number Of Methods or Unweighted WMC)

A good value for the WMC calculation is about 35, bad values are about 36 and higher

Weighted Methods per Class - Example

Using McCabe's cyclomatic complexity.

Class: Vector

Method:	Insert	Remove	Sort	isEmpty	Clear	Find
Complexity:	3	2	4	2	1	3

Class complexity: $WMC = 3 + 2 + 4 + 2 + 1 + 3 = 15$