**DOE Tool:** Pairwiser by Inductive AS - Link - Web UI based tool

AI Tool: Chat GPT 4 - Link

# 1. Explanation of the Test Cases by DOE Tool

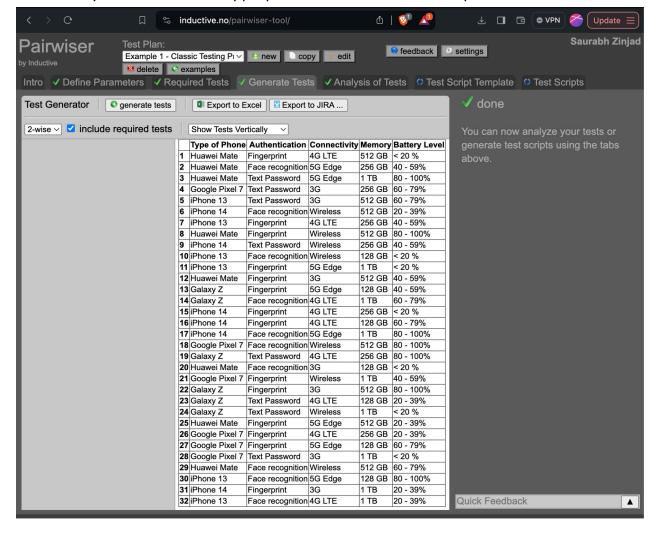
**Pairwiser** is a pairwise testing and test generation tool that facilitates the creation of efficient test cases by focusing on the interactions between pairs of parameters.

#### Parameters:



#### a. Parameters Considered:

- i. Type of Phone: to test across various hardware.
- ii. Authentication: to assess security features.
- iii. Connectivity: to evaluate performance under various network conditions.
- iv. Memory: to understand the app's behavior with different storage limits.
- v. Battery Level: to test the app's performance across various power states.



**b. Purpose of Test Cases:** To ensure comprehensive coverage of possible interactions between different input parameters that affect the functionality and performance of a mobile application.

### c. Explanation of generated test cases:

- i. Each test case represents a unique combination tested, aiming to cover various scenarios with a minimal number of tests.
- ii. Generate 32 test cases. I also tried with different tools which generated test cases in the range of 25 to 32.
- iii. The test cases likely represent a subset of all possible combinations of parameters, focusing on the most critical interactions.
- **d. Reduced Test Cases:** By focusing on pairs of parameter values, pairwise testing significantly reduces the total number of test cases needed compared to exhaustive testing.
- **e. Broad Coverage:** Ensures broad coverage of the parameter space with fewer tests, making it suitable for finding defects caused by unexpected interactions.

# 2. Explanation of the Test Cases by Generative AI Tool

This section contains

- 1. Prompt,
- 2. GPT4 Answer,
- 3. Explanation.
- a. Prompt use to generate test cases using AI:

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Given a list of parameters for a mobile application and their possible values, generate a set
of test cases using the pairwise combination testing technique, formatted as a JSON object.
Each test case should combine values from each pair of parameters at least once across the set
to ensure comprehensive coverage with minimal redundancy.
### Parameters and Values:
 Type of Phone: ["iPhone 14", "iPhone 13", "Galaxy Z", "Huawei Mate", "Google Pixel 7"]
 Authentication: ["Fingerprint", "Face recognition", "Text Password"]
 Connectivity: ["Wireless", "3G", "4G LTE", "5G Edge"]
 Memory: ["128 GB", "256 GB", "512 GB", "1 TB"]
### Instructions:
.. For each pair of parameters, ensure every possible combination appears at least once across
all test cases.
2. Format the output as a JSON object with an array of test cases, where each test case is
represented as an object mapping parameters to their chosen values.
3. Aim for minimal redundancy while covering all necessary pairwise combinations.
### Example Input:
 **Operating System**: ["Android", "iOS"]
 **Connection Type**: ["WiFi", "Cellular"]
 **App Version**: ["1.0", "2.0"]
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## Desired JSON Output Format:
    "Operating System": "Android",
    "Connection Type": "WiFi",
    "Operating System": "Android",
    "Connection Type": "Cellular",
    "Operating System": "iOS",
    "Connection Type": "Cellular",
    "Operating System": "iOS",
    "Connection Type": "WiFi",
### Task:
Generate the test cases in the specified JSON format, ensuring that each test case is a unique
combination of parameter values, and all pairwise combinations are covered with the smallest
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### **b.** Output By GPT 4: (screenshots on next page)

- i. here is <u>link</u> for full conversation
- ii. Code given by GPT4:
  - 1. https://gist.github.com/Ztrimus/e4a4321811e844323ff3f30664d53d85

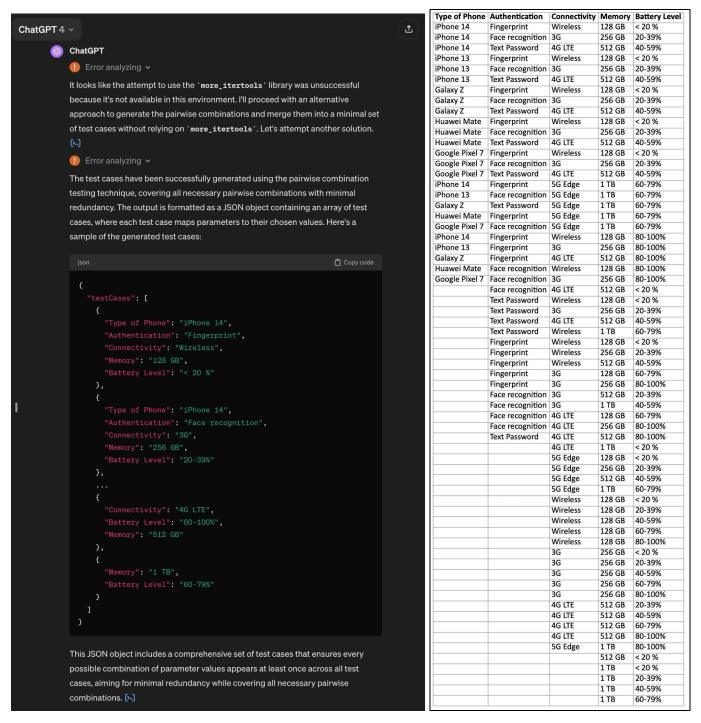


Fig 1. Output Screenshot by GPT 4

Fig 2. modified JSON to XLSX for better view

#### c. Explanation of Result:

- i. GPT4 gave a good amount of test cases, but did not cover all test cases efficiently.
- ii. It needs a lot of manual instruction to navigate.
- iii. It hallucinates a lot.
- iv. If we use an iterative process. Means, talking chat format and result will improve little by little over period of time
- v. Columns and values generated by GPT4 have the same structure generated by the DOE tool.

# 3. An Assessment of the Test Cases

## a. DOE Tool Generated Test Cases:

- i. **Testing Strategy:** Focused on identifying crucial parameter interactions to preemptively tackle potential bugs, ensuring efficient scenario coverage without the need for exhaustive testing.
- ii. **Reduced Test Cases:** Utilizes pairwise testing to significantly cut down the number of tests compared to exhaustive approaches, striking a balance between coverage and efficiency.
- iii. **Broad Coverage:** Ensures broad coverage of the parameter space with fewer tests, making it suitable for finding defects caused by unexpected interactions.

### iv. Key Metrics:

- 1. **Numbers of Possible Tests**: **1200**, means how many different ways we can mix and match settings or options
- 2. **Coverage : 100%**, coverage shows what percentage of valid pairs of values that are in at least one of the tests.
- 3. **Total Possible Pairs : 175**, The total number of valid combinations. For 2-wise tests, this is the number of valid and possible pairs of values of every two parameters.
- v. Potential Overlap and Redundancy: The frequency of certain parameter values, like 'Huawei Mate' for the phone type and 'Fingerprint' for authentication, suggests a potential focus on specific combinations. This could be a point of analysis in assessing the randomness and balance in test case distribution.

### vi. Weaknesses of Pairwise Testing:

- 1. Missed Complex Interactions: Pairwise testing may miss issues that arise from interactions involving three or more parameters.
- 2. Assumption of Independence: It assumes parameter values are independent, which may not always be the case, leading to less effective test coverage in scenarios where parameter dependencies exist.
- 3. Test Case Selection: Determining the most critical pairs can be challenging and might require significant domain knowledge or experience.

# b. Al Tool (GPT-4) Generated Test Cases:

- i. **Completion Rate:** After removing rows with any missing values, we are left with 25 complete test cases.
- ii. a significant portion of all possible pairwise combinations are covered by the test cases, there is still a gap, meaning not all combinations are tested.
- iii. **Coverage Percentage:** Approximately **70.86**% of all possible pairwise combinations are covered by the 25 test cases given by chatGPT.
- iv. **Unique Pairs** in test cases by GPT4: There are **124** unique pairs present in the test cases given by GPT4.

v. **Total Possible Pairs**: Based on the unique values across the columns, there are **175 total possible** pairwise combinations.

# 4. An Assessment of the DOE Tool

- **a. Features and Functionalities:** Pairwiser simplifies the process of creating test cases for software testing by focusing on interactions between pairs of variables. Here's a concise explanation of its working mechanism:
  - i. **Comprehensive Test Generation:** Supports 1-wise, 2-wise (pairwise), and 3-wise testing along with mixed strength coverage for nuanced test case generation.
  - ii. **Pairwise Generation:** The tool generates test cases that cover all possible pairs of variable values. This method catches most bugs with fewer tests.
  - iii. **Export Options:** Allows exporting tests to Excel or as JIRA issues, facilitating integration with other tools and workflows.
  - iv. **Test Analysis:** Offers tools for analyzing test coverage and optimizing the number of tests for budget and goals.
  - v. **Script Generation:** Can generate test scripts for manual and automated testing, enhancing testing efficiency.
  - vi. **Versatility:** It works for a variety of software types, from web applications to complex systems.

### b. Scope Covered by the Tool

- i. **Wide Applicability:** Suitable for testing web UIs, mobile apps, desktop applications, and highly configurable systems, indicating a broad scope of use.
- ii. **Detailed Parameter Definition:** Enables defining a wide range of parameters and inputs, along with constraints between them, ensuring thorough test coverage.
- iii. Provide Analysis of generated Test cases, also provide option of generating test script templates.

#### c. Performance of the Tool

- i. **Efficiency:** Generated 32 tests out of a possible 1200, achieving 100% 2-wise coverage with all 175 possible combinations of 2 values covered, showing high efficiency in test case generation.
- ii. **Speed:** It hardly takes 10 seconds to give all pairwise test cases And generate all 1200 combinations within 30 seconds. Considered the fastest on the market for generating tests, even for large systems, indicating excellent performance.

### d. Ease of Use

i. User-Friendly Interface: compared to others tools I have tried, The web UI of Pairwiser is designed to be intuitive, making the process of defining parameters and generating tests straightforward. Provide a lot of options to make informed decisions. It have workflow kind of which makes it easy to generate insights in step by step manner. ii. **Accessibility:** Available for free online use, making it easily accessible to a wide range of users.

### e. Analysis of Tool's Result

- i. Effectiveness: The tool's ability to reduce the number of tests from a potential 1200 to just 32 while maintaining 100% coverage is indicative of its effectiveness in creating efficient and comprehensive test cases.
- ii. Precision: Achieving 100% 2-wise coverage with no uncovered combinations highlights the tool's precision in ensuring that all critical interactions are tested.

# 5. An Assessment of the Generative AI Tool

### i. What I like:

- 1. **Generative Capability:** GPT-4 demonstrates a strong generative capability, being able to produce diverse test cases that align with the pairwise testing methodology, albeit with a coverage that suggests room for improvement.
- 2. **Iterative Improvement:** The AI tool's iterative refinement process, guided by manual input, points towards a flexible approach to test case generation, allowing for gradual optimization over time.
- 3. **Integration and Export Options:** While GPT-4's primary function is generation rather than integration, the generated test cases can be manually adapted for use in various formats, depending on the user's needs.

## ii. Comparison with Pairwiser

- **1. User Experience:** Pairwiser offers a more guided and structured approach to test case generation, making it potentially more user-friendly for individuals specifically focused on software testing, as opposed to the more flexible but also more demanding interaction with GPT-4.
- 2. **Comprehensiveness:** Pairwiser's 100% coverage of 2-wise combinations with fewer tests (32 out of a potential 1200) showcases its specialized efficiency and effectiveness in the context of pairwise testing, a benchmark that GPT-4 does not fully meet due to its broader, less specialized nature.

# iii. Limitations and Improvement:

- 1. **My Observation:** GPT-4 can generate test cases and improve iteratively with manual guidance, but it may not cover all cases efficiently and tends to make errors, yet its output structure is similar to that produced by DOE tools.
- 2. **Comparison with DOE-Generated Tests:** The pairwiser tool's output can be compared with the AI tool's 25 test cases, especially in terms of unique pairs covered and total possible pairs. This comparison highlights the AI tool's coverage gap and suggests areas for iterative improvement.

- 3. **Specificity in Error Analysis:** While GPT-4 agrees with its tendency to make errors, the GPT4 does not detail the types of errors (e.g., logical inconsistencies, irrelevant combinations) or their frequencies. A more specific error analysis could help in understanding the nature of these inaccuracies and in devising strategies for mitigation.
- 4. **Comparative Depth:** GPT-4 lacks a deep comparative analysis of their performance. This includes a detailed comparison of coverage percentages, unique pairs covered, and the efficiency of each tool in generating minimal test cases that still ensure comprehensive parameter space coverage.

### iv. Other approaches:

- 1. **Need to experiment with prompting**: Even though I follow the best prompt engineering guideline and even use customized paid GPT for this specific task, Result was not completely accurate.
- v. **Different AI tools**: We can Different AI tools like LLama, Perplexity, ChatBing, Gemini Hugging Face. maybe the following limitation or strength would be different.

# 6. Final Thought

DOE tool excelling in comprehensive coverage and the AI tool offering iterative refinement capabilities albeit with certain limitations in efficiency and error propensity

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