Mid-term Review

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You are building a web store that you feel will unseat Amazon as the king of online shops. Your marketing department has come back with figures stating that - to accomplish your goal - your shop will need an availability of at least 99%, a probability of failure on demand of less than 0.1, and a rate of fault occurrence of less than 2 failures per 8-hour work period.

You have recently finished a testing period of one week (seven full 24-hour days). During this time, 972 requests were served to the page. The product failed a total of 64 times. 37 of those resulted in a system crash, while the remaining 27 resulted in incorrect shopping cart totals. When the system crashes, it takes 2 minutes to restart it.

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- What is the rate of fault occurrence?
- 64/168 hours =
 0.38/hour = 3.04/8 hour
 work day

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- \bullet 64/972 = 0.066

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- What is the availability?
- It was down for (37*2)
 = 74 minutes out of
 168 hours = 74/10089
 minutes = 0.7% of the
 time. Availability =
 99.3%

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- Is the product ready to ship? If not, why not?
- No. Availability,
 POFOD are good.
 ROCOF is too
 high. How would
 you improve it?

- The airport connection check is part of a travel reservation system. It checks the validity of a single connection between two flights in an itinerary.
 - If the arrival airport of Flight A differs from the departure airport of Flight B, the connection is invalid.
 - If the departure time of Flight B is too close to the arrival time of Flight A, the connection is invalid.
 - If an airport doesn't exist, the connection is invalid...

validConnection(Flight FlightA, Flight FlightB) returns ValidityCode

A Flight is a data structure consisting of:

- A unique identifying flight code (string, three characters followed by four numbers).
- The originating airport code (three character string).
- The scheduled departure time (in universal time).
- The destination airport code (three character string).
- The scheduled arrival time (in universal time).

There is also a flight database, where each record contains:

- Three-letter airport code (three character string).
- Airport country (two character string).
- Minimum connection times (integer, minimum number of minutes that must be allowed for flight connections).

ValidityCode is an integer with value:

- 0 for OK
- 1 for invalid airport code
- 2 for a connection that is too short
- 3 for flights that do not connect (arrivingFlight does not land in the same location as departingFlight)
- 4 for any other errors (malformed input or any other unexpected errors).

Parameter: Arriving flight

Flight code:

- malformed
- not in database
- valid

Originating airport code:

- malformed
- not in database
- valid city

Scheduled departure time:

- syntactically malformed
- out of legal range
- legal

Destination airport (transfer airport):

- malformed
- not in database
- valid city

Scheduled arrival time (tA):

- syntactically malformed
- out of legal range
- legal

Parameter: Departing flight

Flight code:

- malformed
- not in database
- valid

Originating airport code:

- malformed
- not in database
- differs from transfer airport
- same as transfer airport

Scheduled departure time:

- syntactically malformed
- out of legal range
- before arriving flight time (tA)
- between tA and tA + minimum connection time (CT)
- equal to tA + CT
- greater than tA + CT

Destination airport code:

- malformed
- not in database
- valid city

Scheduled arrival time:

- malformed
- out of legal range
- legal

Parameter: Database record

This parameter refers to the database record corresponding to the transfer airport.

Airport code:

- malformed
- blank
- valid

Airport country:

- malformed
- blank
- invalid (not a country)
- valid

Minimum connection time:

- malformed
- blank
- invalid
- valid

Allow Content to Load	Notify About Pop-Ups	Allow Cookies	Warn About Add-Ons	Warn About Attack Sites	Warn About Forgeries
Allow	Yes	Allow	Yes	Yes	Yes
Restrict	No	Restrict	No	No	No
Block		Block			

- Full set of test specifications = 144 tests
- Create a covering array covering all pairwise combinations.

Allow Content	Allow Cookies	Pop-Ups	Add-Ons	Attacks	Forgeries
Allow	Allow	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Allow	Restrict	No	No	Yes	No
Allow	Block	No	No	No	Yes
Restrict	Allow	Yes	No	No	No
Restrict	Restrict	Yes	i.e.	-	Yes
Restrict	Block	No	Yes	Yes	No
Block	Allow	No		ž.	Yes
Block	Restrict	75 .	Yes	No	(C)
Block	Block	Yes	No	Yes	No

Thank You