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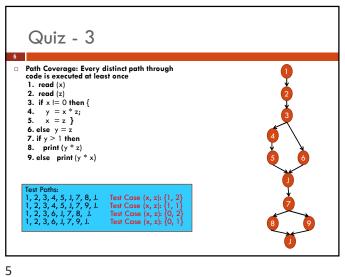
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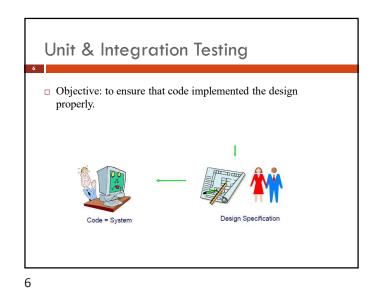
Quiz - 1 1. read (x) 2. read (z) 3. if x = 0 then { 4. y = x * z; 5. x = z } **6.** else y = z**7.** if y > 1 then 8. print (y * z) 9. else print (y * x) clomatic complexity: Upper limit on the number of test cases required to ensure branch coverage Cyclomatic complexity= E-N+2=12-11+2=3 B+1=2+1=3

Quiz – 2 Def-use coverage: every path from every definition of every variable to every use of that definition is exercised in some test. Def: x exercised in some

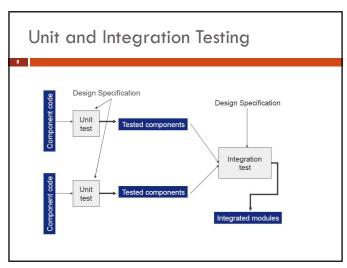
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3. if x!= 0 then {
4. y = x * z;
5. x = z }
6. else y = z
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9. else print (y * z) Def: z Use: x Use: y, x

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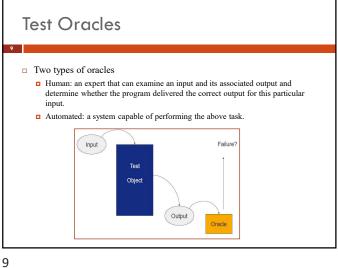


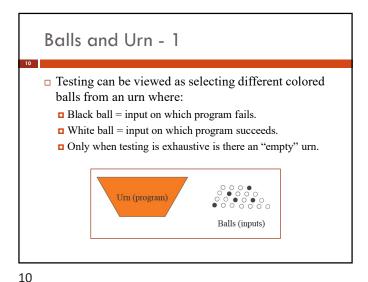


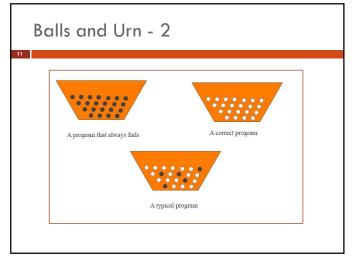
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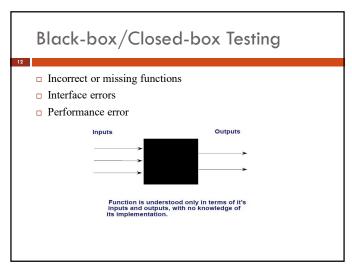


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Black-Box Testing Techniques Definition: a strategy in which testing is based on requirements and specifications. Applicability: all levels of system development Unit Integration System Acceptance Disadvantages: never be sure of how much of the system under test (SUT) has been tested. Advantages: directs tester to choose subsets to tests that are both efficient and effective in finding defects early in development.

Black-Box Testing

| Exhaustive testing | Equivalence class testing | Boundary value analysis | Decision table testing | Pairwise testing | State-Transition testing | Domain analysis testing | Use case testing |

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Definition: testing with every member of the input value space. Input value space: the set of all possible input values to the program. How Feasible? If one test takes 1 ms how much time it will take to test exhaustively function above? No of possible inputs: From -2,147,483,648 to 2,147,483,647, from -(2³¹) to 2³¹ - 1 = 2³² - 1 possible inputs Time to test 2³² - 1 ms = (2³² - 1)/1000 sec = 1.6 months

Equivalence Class Testing
Testing technique used to reduce the number of test cases to a manageable level while still maintaining reasonable test coverage.
Each EC consists of a set of data that is treated the same by the module or that should produce the same result.
Any data value within a class is *equivalent*, in terms of testing, to any other value.

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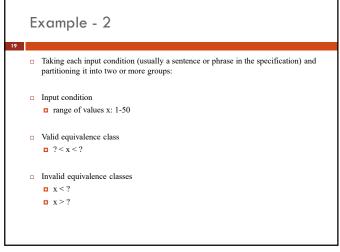
Partition test cases into classes such that: 1. Every possible input belongs to one of the classes 2. No input belongs to two different classes 3. If we demonstrate a fault in the code for a given input, we should demonstrate a fault with any other input from the same class (with a high probability) 4. Classes are identified by looking at boundary values for the variables of the application

Example-1

If (x > y) then S_1 else S_2 Equivalence classes for values of x and y: x > y x < y

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Example - 2

Taking each input condition (usually a sentence or phrase in the specification) and partitioning it into two or more groups:

Input condition
range of values x: 1-50

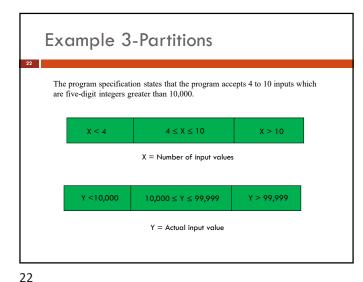
Valid equivalence class
0 < x < 51

Invalid equivalence classes

Example 3 (Group Exercise)

□ The program specification states that the program accepts 4 to 10 inputs which are five-digit integers greater than 10,000.

What are the partitions?



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Discussion Point

- Consider a module for human resources system that decides how to handle employment process based on the applicant's age. The rules are:
 - □ 0-16: Don't Hire
 - □ 16-18: Can hire only as part-time
 - □ 18-55: Can hire as a full-time
 - □ 55-99: Don't hire
- □ Typical test would be (15, Don't Hire)
- $\hfill\Box$ How about test cases like (969, ...), (FRED, ...), (&#\$@, ...)?

Design-by-Contract vs. Defensive Design - 1

- Testing based on design-by-contract relies on the module's pre and post conditions
- Precondition: defines what the module requires for it to accomplish its task
 - Example: for a module that reads a file, an appropriate precondition would be that the file is readable
- Post condition: defines the conditions that must be met if the module completes its task(s) successfully
 - Example: file is open and ready for operations
- In testing based on design-by-contract, you have to worry only about testing the conditions satisfied by the precondition

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Design-by-Contract vs. Defensive Design - 2

- In defensive design, the module is designed to accept any input.
 - If preconditions are met, the module will achieve its post conditions
 - Otherwise, the module will notify the caller by returning an error code or throwing an exception
- As a tester, you have to consult with designers in order to understand which approach is being used.
 - Even though they might not be even aware of it

Equivalence Class Testing: Guidelines

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- If an input condition specifies a range of values; identify one valid EC and two invalid EC.
- 2 If an input condition specifies the number (e.g., one through 6 owners can be listed for an automobile); identify one valid EC and two invalid EC (- no owners; - more than 6 owners).
- 3. If an input condition specifies a set of input values and there is reason to believe that each is handled differently by the program; identify a valid EC for each set and one invalid EC for the other sets.
- If an input condition specifies a "must be" situation (e.g., first character of the identifier must be a letter); identify one valid EC (it is a letter) and one invalid EC (it is not a letter)
- If there is any reason to believe that elements in an EC are not handled in an identical manner by the program, split the equivalence class into smaller equivalence classes.

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Identifying Test Cases

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- Assign a unique number to each EC.
- ☐ Until all valid ECs have been covered by test cases, write a new test case covering as many of the uncovered valid ECs as possible.
- Until all invalid ECs have been covered by test cases, write a test case that cover <u>one</u>, and only one, of the uncovered invalid ECs.

Group Exercise

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 Problem statements: NextDate is a function of three variables: month, day and year. It returns the date of the day after the input date. The month, day and year variables have integer values subject to these conditions:

C1: 1 <= month <=12

C2: 1<= day <= 31

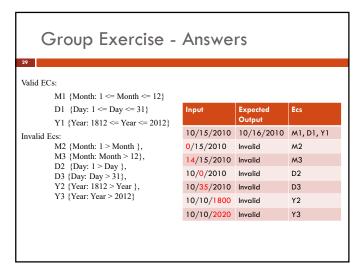
C3: 1812 <= year <= 2012

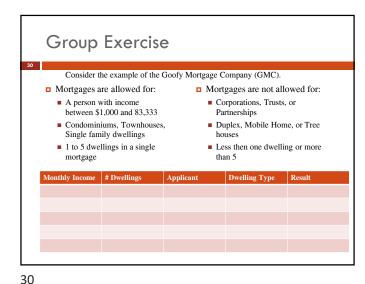
Valid ECs:

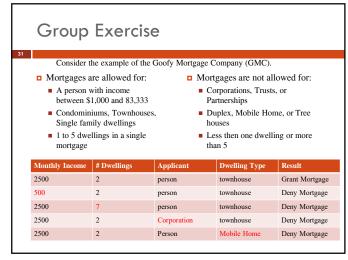
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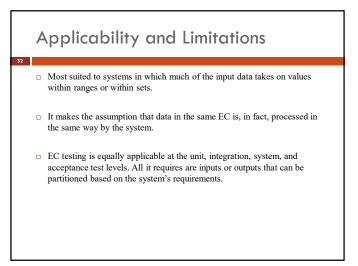
The craft of testing is to combine test cases to test as many ECs as possible within a single test But this might cause a problem. Any ideas why?

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Boundary Value Testing

- Equivalence class testing has the advantage of reducing the number of test case
- But it also has the other advantage of alerting us to the notion of boundary
- Boundary value testing focuses on the boundaries simply because that is where so many defects hide. Defects can be in the requirements, design, or code.
- □ The most efficient way of finding such defects, either in the requirements or the code, is through inspection (Software Inspection, Gilb and Graham's book).

Going back to the HR system example: 0-16: Don't Hire

16-18: Can hire only as part-time Can hire as a full-time

55-99: Don't hire

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Boundary Value Testing - Technique

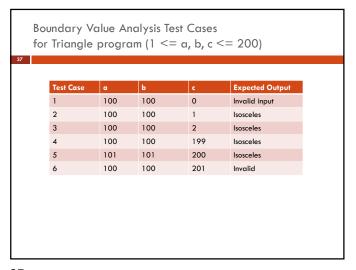
□ Identify the ECs.

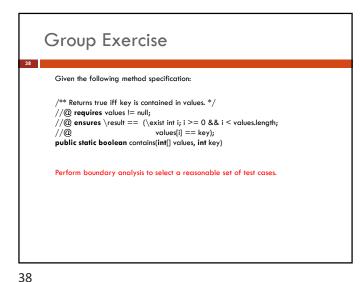
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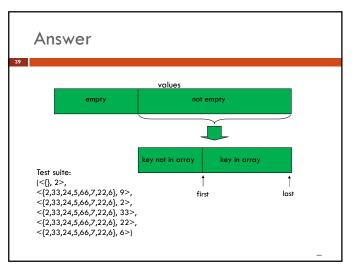
- □ Identify the boundaries of each EC.
- □ Create test cases for each boundary value by choosing:
 - one point on the boundary,
 - one point just below the boundary,
 - and one point just above the boundary.

Boundary Value Testing - Example Less than 10000 Between 10000 and 99999 More than 99999 What are the boundary values to test?

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Applicability and Limitations Boundary value testing is equally applicable at the unit, integration, system, and acceptance test levels. All it requires are inputs that can be partitioned and boundaries that can be identified based on the system's requirements.

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Decision Table Testing

- Decision tables are an excellent tool to capture certain kinds of system requirements and to document internal system design.
- □ They are used to record complex business rules that a system must implement.
- □ In addition, they can serve as a guide to creating test cases.

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Don't Care Entries

C1	Т	Т	Т	F	F	F
C2	Т	Т	F	Т	Т	F
C3	Т	F	-	Т	F	949
A1	х	х		х	3	
A2	x				×	
АЗ		×		x		
A4	1		X			X

The don't care entry has two interpretations:

- the condition is irrelevant, or
- the condition does not apply. Sometimes the " n/α " symbol for this latter interpretation.

Types of Decision Tables

- Limited entry decision tables:
 - all the conditions are binary
- Extended entry decision tables:
 - conditions are allowed to have several values.!
- Decision tables are deliberately declarative (as opposed to imperative);
 - no particular order is implied by the conditions, and selected actions do not occur in any particular order.
 - Imperative involves spelling out as much detail as necessary how to accomplish something; Declarative involves specifying what needs to be accomplished

Decision Table-Based Testing

- □ Applicable for requirements in *if-then*
 - $\hfill\Box$ if C_1 and C_2 and...and C_n then A_k
- □ Create a decision table comprised of conditions and actions.
- □ Number of columns: 2ⁿ (n is number of conditions)
- □ Number of rows: n + m, where m is number of actions
- □ For each set of conditions, there is a corresponding action

Decision Table to Test Cases

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Group Exercise: Triangle program

The program accepts three integers, a, b, and c as input. The three values are interpreted as representing the lengths of sides of a triangle. The integers a, b, and c must satisfy the following conditions:

a < b + c		Rule 1	Rule 2	Rule 3	Rule 4	Rule 5	Rule 6	Rule 7	Rule 8	Rule 9
b < a + c	C1: a, b, c form a triangle?	N	Y	Y						
c < a + b	C2: a = b?	20	Y	Y						
1<=a<=200	C3: a = c7		Y	Y			2	ľ		
	C4: b = c?	0	Y	N			3			
1<=b<=200	A1: Not a triangle	Х								
1<=b<=200	A2: Scalene									
	A3: Isosceles									
	A4: Equilateral		Х							
	A5: Impossible			Х						

If the integers a, b, and c do not constitute a triangle, we do not even care about possible equalities (rule 1)

If two pairs of integers are equal, by transitivity, the third pair must be equal; thus, the negative entry (N) makes these rules impossible (rule3).

Develop Decision Table for the Triangle Problem

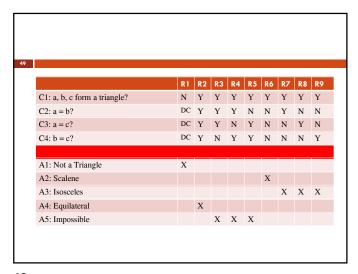
- □ What are the conditions?
 - · C1: a, b, c form a triangle? • C2: a = b?

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- C3: a = c?
- C4: b = c?
- □ What are the actions?
- Not a triangle, scalene, isosceles, equilateral, impossible
- □ How many rows?
- # of rows = #conditions + #actions
- □ How many columns? □ 2#of conditions

 - Or is it?

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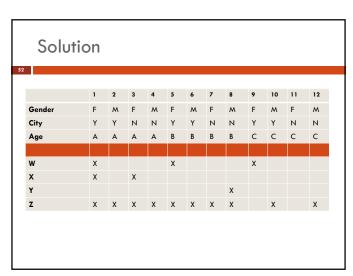
Group Exercise: Triangle program What if we expand the first condition to: C1: a < b + c?, C2: b < a + c?, C3: c < a + b? What will the decision table look like R1 R2 R3 R4 R7 R8 Т C2 С3 a=b Not Triangle Scalene Isosceles Equilateral Impossible

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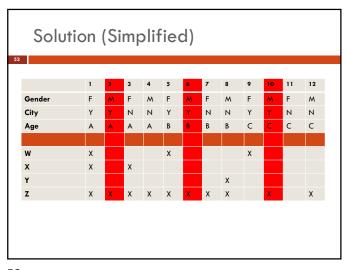
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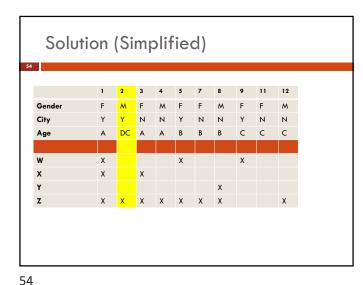
DT Testing: One More Example

□ A marketing company wishes to construct a decision table to decide how to treat clients according to three characteristics: Gender, City Dweller, and age group: Young (under 30), Middle-age (between 30 and 60), and Old (over 60). The company has four products (W, X, Y and Z) to test market. Product W will appeal to female city dwellers. Product X will appeal to young females. Product Y will appeal to Male middle-aged shoppers who do not live in cities. Product Z will appeal to all but older females.

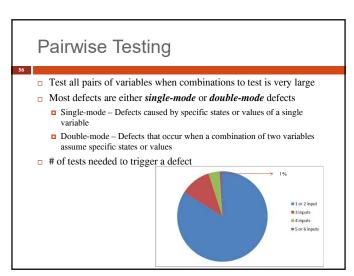


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Advantages/Disadvantages of Decision Table Advantages: (check completeness & consistency) Allow us to start with a "complete" view, with no consideration of dependence Allow us to look at and consider "dependence," "impossible," and "not relevant" situations and eliminate some test cases. Allow us to detect potential error in our Specifications Disadvantages: Need to decide (or know) what conditions are relevant for testing -- this may require Domain knowledge e.g. need to know leap year for "next date" problem in the book Scaling up can be massive: 2ⁿ rules for n conditions -- - that's if the conditions are binary and gets worse if the values are more than binary



Pairwise Testing Test all pairs of variables when combinations to test is very large Most defects are either single-mode or double-mode defects Pairwise testing defines a minimal subset that guides us to test for all single-mode and double-mode defects Four parameters, with three possible values each 3'= 81 possibilities Can be done in 9 tests 13 parameters, with three possible values each 3'3= 1,594,323 possibilities Can be done in 15 tests 20 parameters, with 10 possible values each 10²⁰ = MANY possibilities Can be done in 180 tests

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Orthogonal Arrays Two-dimensional array of numbers that has this property: Choose any two columns in the array, all the pairwise combinations of its values will occur in every pair of columns. If a pair occur in the array multiple times, then all other pairs will occur the same number of times Three variables, with two possible values each: 2³ = 8 Possibilities, but we could do this in half the test cases A B C 1 1 1 1 1 2 1 2 1 2 3 2 1 2 4 2 2 1 Note that we are not looking for triplets such as 121. Only pairs

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Orthogonal Arrays

- □ Not all columns must have the same range of values
 - \blacksquare L₁₈(2¹3⁷): 18 rows, 1 column of 1s and 2s, 7 columns of 1s, 2s, and 3s
 - Good news about pairwise testing is that we do not actually have to come up with the OA.
 - Tools will assist in doing this task
 - http://designcomputing.net/gendex/noa/
 - https://app.hexawise.com
 - https://inductive.no/pairwiser-tool/

Using Orthogonal Arrays

a) Identify the variables

- b) Determine the number of choices for each variable
- Locate an orthogonal array which has a column for each variable and values within the columns that correspond to the choices for each variable
- d) Map the test problem onto the orthogonal array
- e) Construct the test cases

A library of over 200 orthogonal arrays: http://www.research.att.com/~njas/oadir/ Maintained by N.J. A. Sloane.

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Example: Mortgage Application

- □ Loan Details
 - Term of loan (30yrs, 20yrs, 15yrs)Loan Amount (Large, Medium, Small)
 - LTV Ratio (90%, 80%, 70%)
 - Customer Details
 Income (High, Medium, Low)
 - □ Credit Score (High, Medium, Low)
 - Customer Status (VIP, Regular, Employee)
 - Property Details

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- □ Type (House, Apartment, Condo)□ Location (Washington, California, NY)
- Residence Status (Primary, Rent, Investment)
 - All Possibilities? 27+27+27? 27*27*27? 1968.

In your teams

- □ Create an account in https://inductive.no/
- □ Create an orthogonal array for the previous problem
- □ How many test cases do you need?

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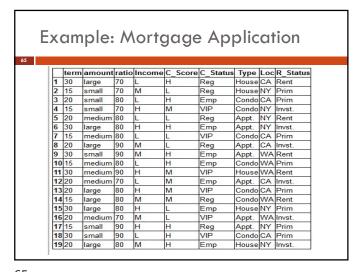
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e) Construct the test cases
Construct a test case for each row in the orthogonal array
19 test cases
Any single-mode or double mode defect will be discovered

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Applicability and Limitations

- □ It is equally applicable at the unit, integration, system and acceptance test levels
- □ Reduces the number of test combination significantly
- □ Issues with OA use