

## Chapter 5, 8, 10, 12, & 13 Questions

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- Somewhat Subjective, but:
  - Compactness: Clarity of Model
  - Predictiveness: Accuracy to Software
  - Semantic Meaningfulness: Mapping to Tests/Software
  - Sufficient Generality: Not tying to any software technology

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- A Model created from specifications is more closely related to what the user intended (requirements), then from software. Therefore, the Model will aid in testing the software.

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- 1) Yes,  $A \rightarrow B$ ,  $B \rightarrow A$
- 2) Not necessarily—isolated nodes.

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- Yes, when there are multiple control flows in one program statement (ternary operator).  $a < b ? c : d;$

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- No, as complete finite state verification can be equally as powerful as formal verification.

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- No, since the desired feature is now our requirement/formal specification.

## Problem 3

- Identify independently testable units in the following specification.
- There are many acceptable answers...  
3+5  
12.0%5 1/0  
etc...



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- Consider:

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if (pos < parseArray.length && (parseArray[pos] == '{' || parseArray[pos] == '}') || par
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- a) Derive a set of test case specifications and show that is satisfies the MC/DC criterion for this statement. Let Room =  $pos < parseArray.length$ , Open =  $parseArray[pos] == "{"$ , Close =  $parseArray[pos] == "}"$ , Bar =  $parseArray[pos] == "{"$
- b) Do the requirements for compound condition coverage and modification condition/decision coverage differ in this case? Aside from increasing the number of test cases, what difference would it make if we attempted to exhaustively cover all combinations of truth values for the basic conditions?



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    continue;
}
```

	Room	Open	Close	Bar
	1 false	-	-	-
a)	2 true	false	false	false
	3 true	true	-	-
	4 true	-	true	-
	5 true	-	-	true

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- Some difference, our instance of MC does not test Room == true, Open = true, Close = false, Bar = true. For testing, it doesn't make a difference due to short-circuiting.

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- The number of paths is independent of what the nodes of a graph contain. The basis paths only rely on paths through the nodes not it's contents.



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- Total Opinion:  
Neither: defense in depth  
Both: Dead code, more design

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- All p-use requires that for each definition of a variable  $x$ , and each p-use of  $x$  reachable from the definition, contain a def-clear path. IE: test all branches affected by the definition of a variable.

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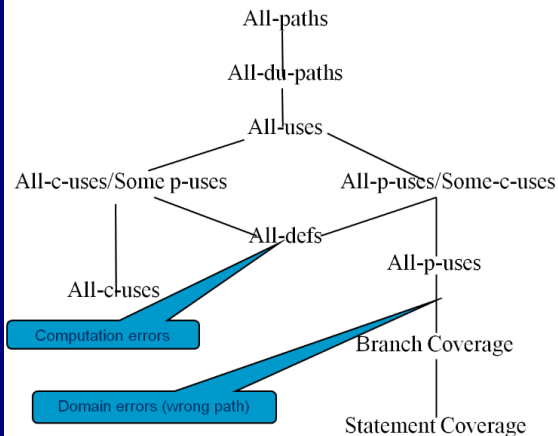
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- b) c-use would test the computations like line 31:  
 $*dp_{tr} = 16 * digit\_high + digit\_low$ , while p-use would test the branches (if/while statements).

## Problem 2

- Demonstrate the subsume relation between all p-use, all c-use, all DU pairs, all DU paths and all definitions.

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## Subsumption Relationships



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- Like the C function it is... Okay, DU-pairs: Test strings with a mixture of any number of LF, CR, with other “normal” characters.