

# Graph Coverage Overview Part 2



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# Outcomes

At the end of Today's Lecture you will be able to:

- Understand the basic concepts of graph coverage
- Understand def, use, and du pairs
- Evaluate a given graph for graph coverage criteria



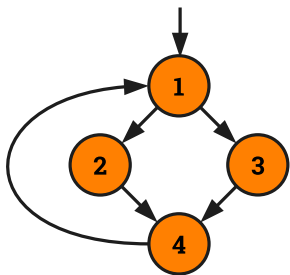
# Inspiration

“All software is a graph” – Anonymous



# Simple Paths and Prime Paths

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- **Prime Path:** A simple path that does not appear as a proper subpath of any other simple path

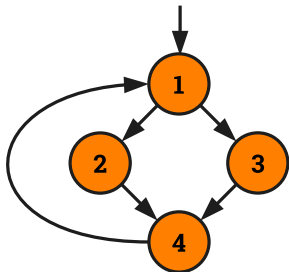


Write down the simple and prime paths for this graph



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## Simple Paths

[1,2,4,1], [1,3,4,1], [2,4,1,2], [2,4,1,3], [3,4,1,2], [3,4,1,3], [4,1,2,4],  
[4,1,3,4], [1,2,4], [1,3,4], [2,4,1], [3,4,1], [4,1,2], [4,1,3], [1,2], [1,3], [2,4],  
[3,4], [4,1], [1], [2], [3], [4]

## Prime Paths

[2,4,1,2], [2,4,1,3], [1,3,4,1], [1,2,4,1], [3,4,1,2], [4,1,3,4], [4,1,2,4],  
[3,4,1,3]



# Prime Path Coverage

- A simple, elegant and finite criterion that requires **loops** to be executed as well as skipped

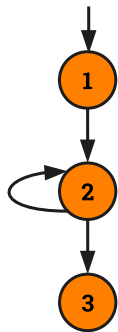
**Prime Path Coverage (PPC):**  $TR$  contains each prime path in  $G$

- Will tour all paths of length 0, 1, ...
- That is, it **subsumes** node and edge coverage
- PPC almost, but **not quite**, subsumes **EPC** ...



# PPC Does Not Subsume EPC

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- $[n, n, m]$  is not prime
- Neither  $[n, n, m]$  nor  $[m, n, n]$  are simple paths (not prime)



EPC Requirements:

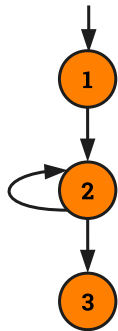
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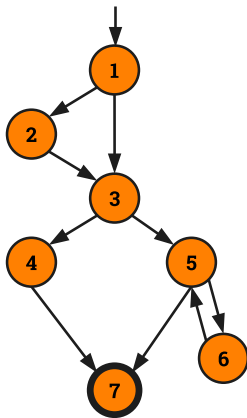
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# Prime Path Example

- The previous example has 38 **simple** paths
- Only **nine** prime paths



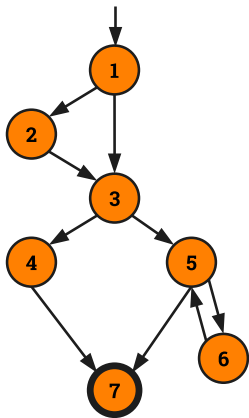
## Prime Paths

Write down all 9 prime paths



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## Prime Paths

[1, 2, 3, 4, 7]

[1, 2, 3, 5, 7]

[1, 2, 3, 5, 6]

[1, 3, 4, 7]

[1, 3, 5, 7] -> Execute Loop 0 times

[1, 3, 5, 6] -> Execute loop once

[6, 5, 7]

[6, 5, 6] -> Execute loop more than once

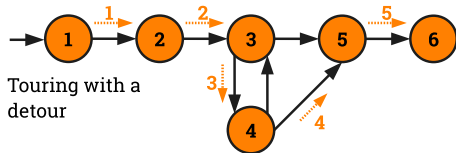
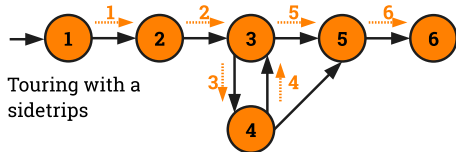
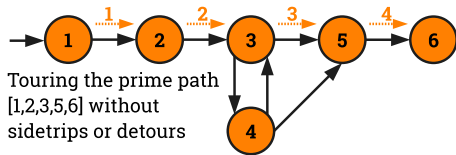
[5, 6, 5]



# Touring, Sidetrips, and Detours

- Prime paths do not have **internal loops** .. test paths might
- **Tour**: A test path  $p$  tours subpath  $q$  if  $q$  is a subpath of  $p$
- **Tour With Sidetrips**: A test path  $p$  tours subpath  $q$  with sidetrips iff every edge in  $q$  is also in  $p$  in the same order
  - The tour can include a sidetrip, as long as it comes back to the same node
- **Tour With Detours**: A test path  $p$  tours subpath  $q$  with detours iff every node in  $q$  is also in  $p$  in the same order
  - The tour can include a detour from node  $n_i$ , as long as it comes back to the prime path at a successor of  $n_i$

# Sidetrips and Detours Example





# Infeasible Test Requirements

- An **infeasible** test requirement cannot be satisfied
  - Unreachable statement (dead code)
  - Subpath that can only be executed with a contradiction ( $X > 0$ ) and ( $X < 0$ )
- Most test **criteria** have some infeasible test requirements
- It is usually **undecidable** whether all test requirements are feasible
- When sidetrips are not allowed, many structural criteria have **more infeasible test requirements**
- However, always allowing **sidetrips weakens** the test criteria

## Practical Recommendation—Best Effort Touring

- Satisfy as many test requirements as possible without sidetrips
- Allow sidetrips to try to satisfy remaining test requirements



# Simple & Prime Path Example

## Simple Paths

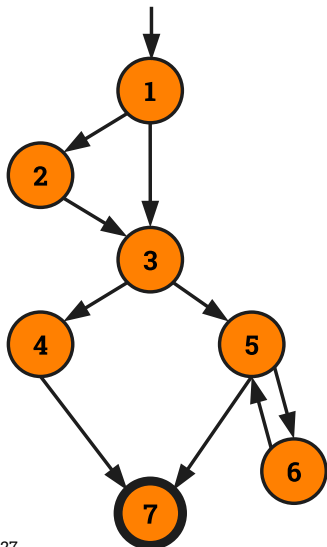
Write all paths of length 0

Write Paths of length 1

Write paths of length 2

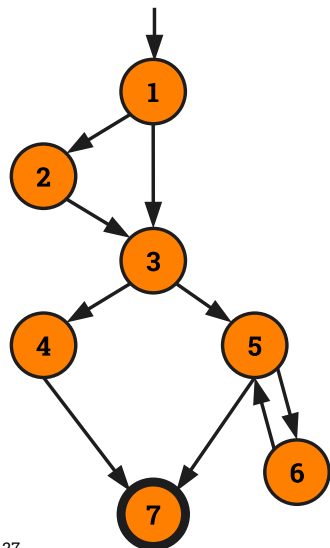
Write paths of length 3

Write paths of length 4





# Simple & Prime Path Example



## Simple Paths

Length 0: [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7]!

Length 1: [1,2] [1,3] [2,3] [3,4] [3,5] [4,7]! [5,7]! [5,6] [6,5]

Length 2: [1,2,3] [1,3,4] [1,3,5] [2,3,4] [2,3,5] [3,4,7]!

[3,5,7]! [3,5,6] [5,6,5]\* [6,5,7]! [6,5,6]\*

Length 3: [1,2,3,4] [1,2,3,5] [1,3,4,7]! [1,3,5,7]! [1,3,5,6]!

[2,3,4,7]! [2,3,5,6]! [2,3,5,7]!

Length 4: [1,2,3,4,7]! [1,2,3,5,7]! [1,2,3,5,6]!

## Prime Paths?

! means path terminates

\* means path is cyclic



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Length 1: [1,2] [1,3] [2,3] [3,4] [3,5] [4,7]! [5,7]! [5,6] [6,5]

Length 2: [1,2,3] [1,3,4] [1,3,5] [2,3,4] [2,3,5] [3,4,7]!

[3,5,7]! [3,5,6]! **[5,6,5]\*** **[6,5,7]!** **[6,5,6]\***

Length 3: [1,2,3,4] [1,2,3,5] **[1,3,4,7]!** **[1,3,5,7]!** **[1,3,5,6]!**

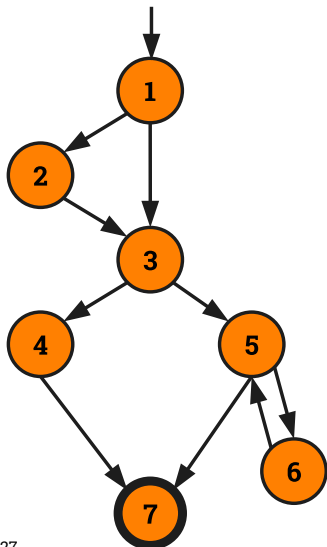
[2,3,4,7]! [2,3,5,6]! [2,3,5,7]!

Length 4: **[1,2,3,4,7]!** **[1,2,3,5,7]!** **[1,2,3,5,6]!**

! means path terminates

\* means path is cyclic

**Bold** means prime path







# Round Trips

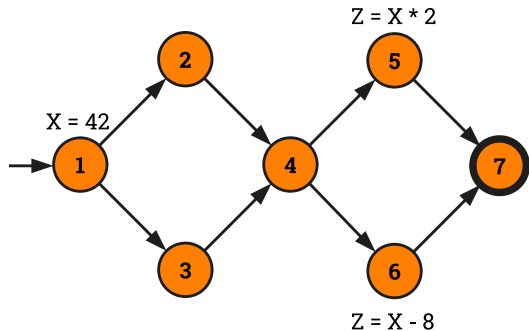
- **Round-Trip Path:** A prime path that starts and ends at the same node
- **Simple Round Trip Coverage (SRTC):**  $TR$  contains at least one round-trip path for each reachable node in  $G$  that begins and ends a round-trip path
- **Complete Round Trip Coverage (CRTC):**  $TR$  contains all round-trip paths for each reachable node in  $G$ .
- These criteria **omit nodes and edges** that are not in round trips
- Thus, they do **not** subsume edge-pair, edge, or node coverage



# Data Flow Criteria

**Goal: Ensure that values are computed and used correctly**

- **Definition (def):** A location where a value for a variable is stored into memory.
- **Use:** A location where a variable's value is accessed



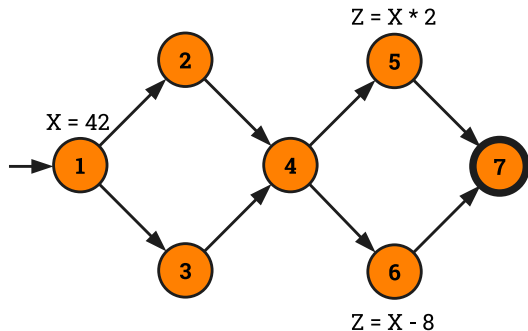
Fill in the Sets

Defs: { }

Uses: { }



# Data Flow Criteria



## Fill in the Sets

Defs: {  
    def (1) = { X }  
    def (5) = { Z }  
    def (6) = { Z }  
}

Uses: {  
    use (5) = { X }  
    use (6) = { X }  
}

The values given in **defs** should **reach** at least one, some, or all possible **uses**



# DU Pairs and DU Paths

- **def( $n$ ) or def( $e$ ):** The set of variables that are defined by node  $n$  or edge  $e$
- **use( $n$ ) or use( $e$ ):** The set of variables that are used by node  $n$  or edge  $e$
- **DU pair:** A pair of locations  $(l_i, l_j)$  such that a variable  $v$  is defined at  $l_i$  and used at  $l_j$
- **Def-clear:** A path from  $l_i$  to  $l_j$  is def-clear with respect to variable  $v$  if  $v$  is not given another value on any of the nodes or edges in the path
- **Reach:** If there is a def-clear path from  $l_i$  to  $l_j$  with respect to  $v$ , the def of  $v$  at  $l_i$  reaches the use at  $l_j$
- **du-path:** A simple subpath that is def-clear with respect to  $v$  from a def of  $v$  to a use of  $v$
- **du( $n_i, n_j, v$ )** - the set of du-paths from  $n_i$  to  $n_j$
- **du( $n_i, v$ )** - the set of du-paths that start at  $n_i$



# Touring DU-Paths

- A test path  $p$  **du-tours** subpath  $d$  with respect to  $v$  if  $p$  tours  $d$  and the subpath taken is def-clear with respect to  $v$
- **Sidetrips** can be used, just as with previous touring
- Three criteria
  - Use every def
  - Get to every use
  - Follow all du-paths

# Data Flow Test Criteria

- First, we make sure **every def** reaches **a use**

## All-defs coverage (ADC):

For each set of du-paths  $S = du(n, v)$ , TR contains at least one path  $d \in S$ .

- Then we make sure that **every def** reaches **all possible uses**

## All-uses coverage (AUC):

For each set of du-paths to uses  $S = du(n_i, n_j, v)$ , TR contains at least one path  $d \in S$

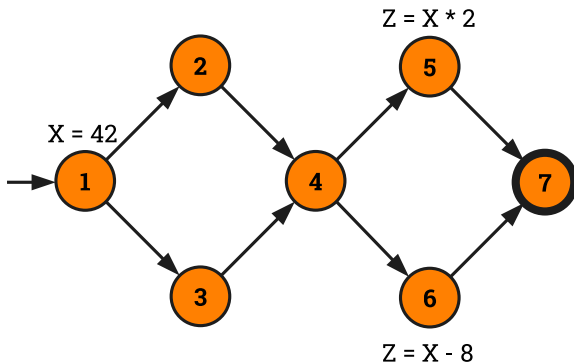
- Finally, we cover **all the paths** between defs and uses

## All-du-paths coverage (ADUPC):

For each set  $S = du(n_i, n_j, v)$ , TR contains every path  $d \in S$ .



# Data Flow Example



All-defs for X

Write down paths to  
satisfy ADC

All-uses for X

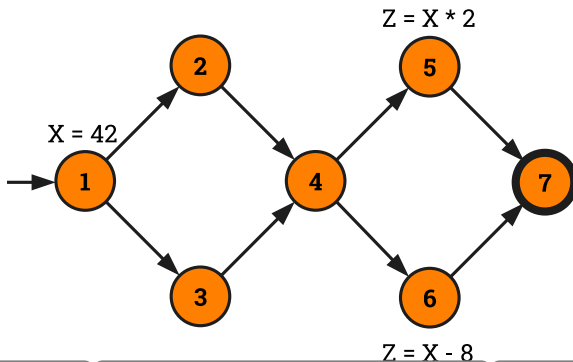
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All-du-paths for X

Write down paths to  
satisfy ADUPC



# Data Flow Example



All-defs for X

[1, 2, 4, 5]

All-uses for X

[1, 2, 4, 5]

[1, 2, 4, 6]

All-du-paths for X

[1, 2, 4, 5]

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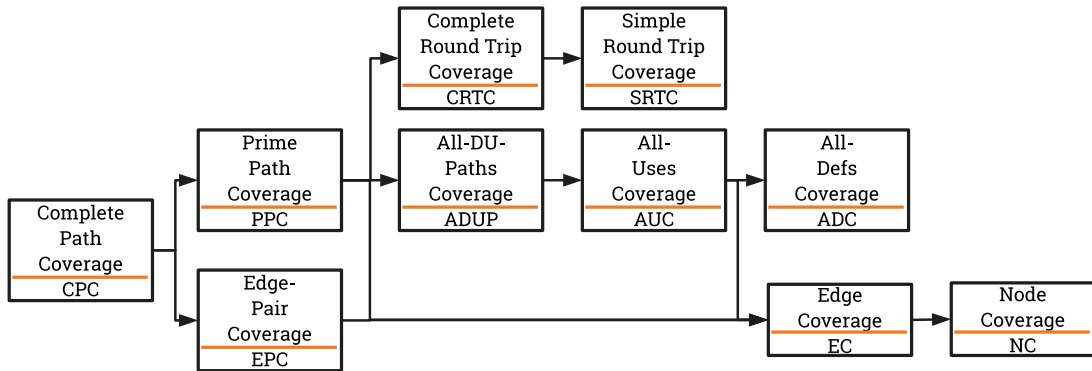
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# Graph Coverage Criteria Subsumption





# Summary

- Graphs are a very **powerful abstraction** for designing tests
- The various criteria allow lots of **cost/benefit** tradeoffs
- These two sections are entirely at the “**design abstraction level**” from chapter 2
- Graphs appear in **many situations** in software
  - As discussed in the remainder of chapter 7



**Are there any questions?**