

UNIT - 4

SOFTWARE ANALYSIS AND TESTING

(1) There are two types of approaches for identifying defects in the software are -

Static analysis - Code is not executed but is evaluated through some process or some tools for locating defects.

Dynamic analysis - Code is executed, and the execution is used for determining defects.

(2) Code inspection -

It is often applied at the unit level. It can be viewed as "static testing" in which defects are detected in the code, not by executing the code but through a manual process. Three phases are

Planning → Self Review → Group review meeting.

(3) Software Testing Fundamentals -

Error → difference between actual output and the correct output.

Fault → Condition that causes a system to fail.

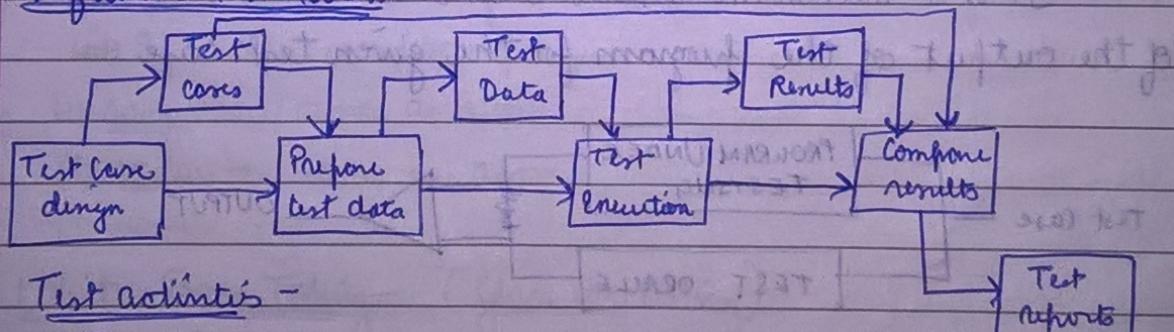
Failure → Inability of a system to perform required function.

Test case → set of test inputs and execution conditions.

Test suite → Related test cases are executed to test some specific behaviour.

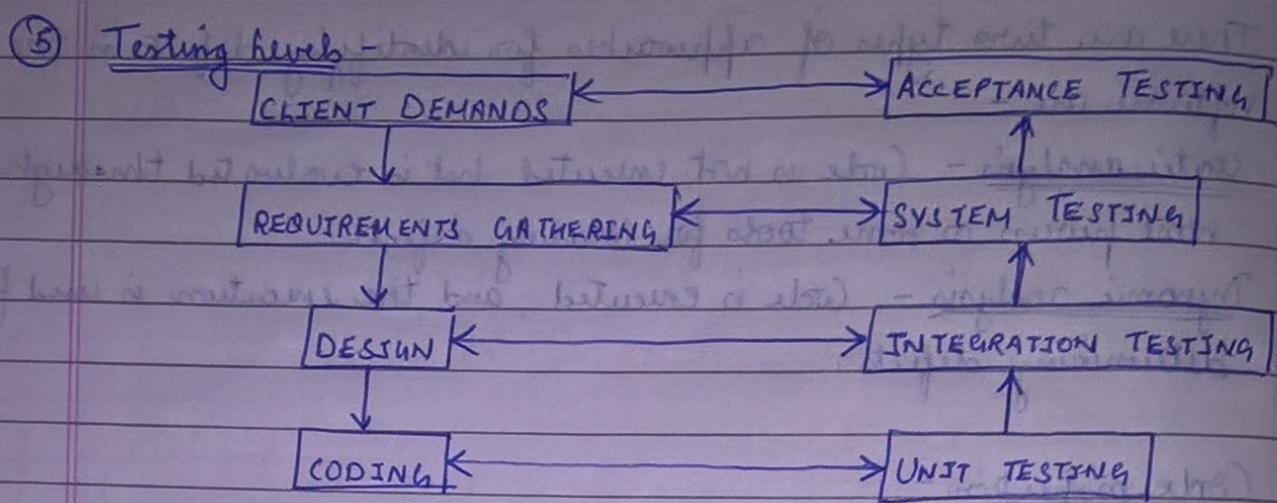
Test harness → testing framework.

(4) Software Test Process -



Test activities -

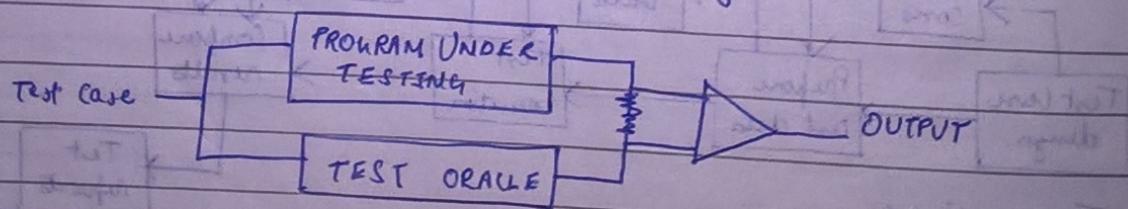
- (1) Test planning
- (2) Test case design
- (3) Test execution
- (4) Data collection
- (5) Effective evaluation



- ⑥ Test Criterion - Reliability and Validity
- A test criterion is reliable if all the test cases detect some errors.
 - A test criterion is valid if for any error in the program there is some test which causes error in the program.

- ⑦ Test Case Design -
- Create a set of tests that are effective in testing. Two goals:
 - (1) Minimize the number of errors detected.
 - (2) Minimize the number of test cases.

- ⑧ Test Oracle -
- It is a mechanism which is used to check the correctness of the output of the program for the given test case.



- ⑨ Test techniques -
- Two types -
- (1) Black Box testing - demonstrate software functions are operational.
 - (2) White Box testing - Procedural details are closely examined.

⑩ Black-Box Testing - (Behavioural Testing)

focus on functional requirements of the software.

→ Uncovers following types of errors -

- (1) Incorrect or missing functions
- (2) Interface errors
- (3) Errors in data structures
- (4) Performance errors
- 5) Initialization or termination errors

→ Black-box technique One -

(1) Equivalence Partitioning

divides the input domain into classes of data and from this data test cases can be derived.

If input condition specifies -

- (i) range → one valid and two invalid equivalence classes are defined
- (ii) specific value → one valid & two invalid equivalence classes are defined
- (iii) set → one valid and one invalid equivalence classes are defined
- (iv) Boolean → one valid and one invalid equivalence classes are defined

(2) Boundary Value Analysis (BVA) -

Done by checking boundary conditions.

If input condition specifies -

- (i) range → test cases for value x and y and value above & below x & y .
- (ii) values → test cases of min. and max. values & also just above & below min & max.

If output condition specifies -

- (i) range → same as above

- (ii) values → same as above

⑪ White Box Testing - (Glass box testing)

It is based on close examination of procedural details.

Test cases are derived for -

Examining all independent paths, Exercise all logical paths, executing all loops, exercising internal data structures.

→ White-Box techniques are -

(1) Structural Testing -

Test cases is according to program structure that is exercising all program statements.

(2) Conditional Testing -

To test the logical conditions in the program module

(3) Loop Testing -

To test the loop constructs.

iv Simple loops - $n = m$ means m passes through the loop ($n > m$)

v Nested loops - Start with innermost loops.

vi Concatenated loops - same as simple loop test.

vii Unstructured loops - Cannot clone effectively, needs to redesign.

(4) Path Testing -

It is a structural testing strategy - Steps are -

STEP 1 - Design the flow graph for the program or a component

STEP 2 - Calculate the cyclomatic complexity

STEP 3 - Select a basis set of paths.

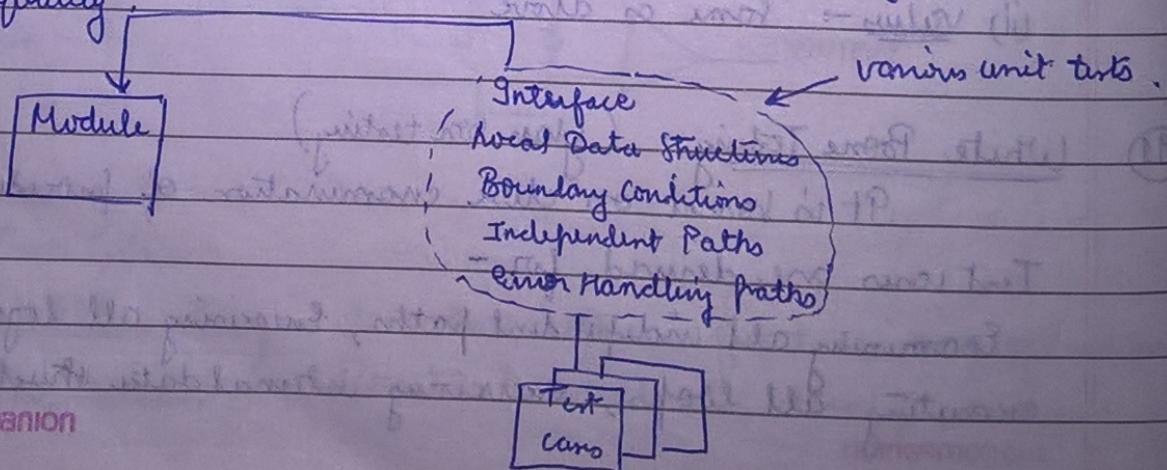
STEP 4 - Generate test cases for these paths.

Cyclomatic complexity = Total no. of regions in the flow graph

$$= E - N + 2 \quad (\text{edges} \rightarrow E, \text{Node} \rightarrow N)$$

(12) Unit Testing -

Individual components are tested independently to ensure their quality.



(13) Unit Testing Frameworks -

Third-party products that are not distributed as part of the compiler kit. E.g.: JustMock, Isolator.NET, Isolator++ etc.

(14) Integration Testing -

Group of dependent components are tested together (Uncover errors one)

- (1) Design and construction of software architecture
- (2) Integrated functions or operations at subsystem level.
- (3) Interfaces and interaction between them
- (4) Resource integration and/or environmental integration

Type approaches are -

- (1) Non-incremental integration → Bang Bang (approach is simple)
- (2) Incremental integration -
 - (1) Top down integration Testing -
 - (2) Bottom up integration Testing
 - (3) Regression Testing - Used to check ~~for~~ defects propagated to other modules by changes made to existing program.

- (4) Smoke Testing - Used for time critical projects wherein the project needs to occur on frequent basis.

(15) Validation Testing - Testing is based on requirements (Uncover errors one)

- (1) System input/output
- (2) System functions and information (data) no. of which.
- (3) System interfaces with external parts.
 - (1) User interface
 - (2) Transfer function
- (5) System behavior on Performance.

→ Acceptance Testing - To test whether the software works correctly in the user work environment. Types are -

Alpha test - developer or customer under supervision of developer.

Beta test - Customer without the developer being present

(16) System Testing -

Main focus are system functions, performance, reliability, recoverability, installation, behavior, user operation etc.

Various types are -

- (1) Recovery Testing
- (2) Security Testing
- (3) Stress Testing
- (4) Performance Testing

(17) Test Plan -

It gets generated during the development. Structure of test plan -

- (1) Testing Process
- (2) Requirements Traceability
- (3) Tested Items
- (4) Testing Schedule
- (5) Test Recording Procedures
- (6) Hardware and Software Requirements
- (7) Constraints

(18) Testing Tools -

Used to automate the testing activity. Two types

- (1) Static Testing tool -

Static Analyzers → analyze the code systematically

Code inspectors → Coding standards can be incorporated in programs

- (2) Dynamic Testing tool -

Activities are input validation, stub processing, displaying results and Test planning.

Various tools are output comparator, coverage Analyzer and test data generator.

(19) Testing Metrics -

Cyclomatic complexity and Halstead's metrics

Halstead's metrics - Estimating the testing efforts (e)

$$e = V / PL$$

V → program volume, PL → program level.

$$PL = \frac{1}{COMP} [(n_1/2) \times (N_2/n_2)]$$

n_1 = Total distinct operators N_2 → all operand
 n_2 = Total distinct operands in program

Percentage of overall testing effort = $\frac{\text{Testing effort of specific module}}{\text{Testing effort of all the modules}}$