

Software Testing - Blackbox Testing Summary

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Boundary Value Testing

(4 methods of BB-Testing)

Values required

Use input variable values at

- minimum – “*min*”
- just above minimum – “*min+*”
- normal value – “*nom*”
- just below maximum – “*max-*”
- maximum – “*max*”

Make the single Fault assumption (Reliability theory)

Failures are only rarely the result of the simultaneous occurrence of two (or more) faults.

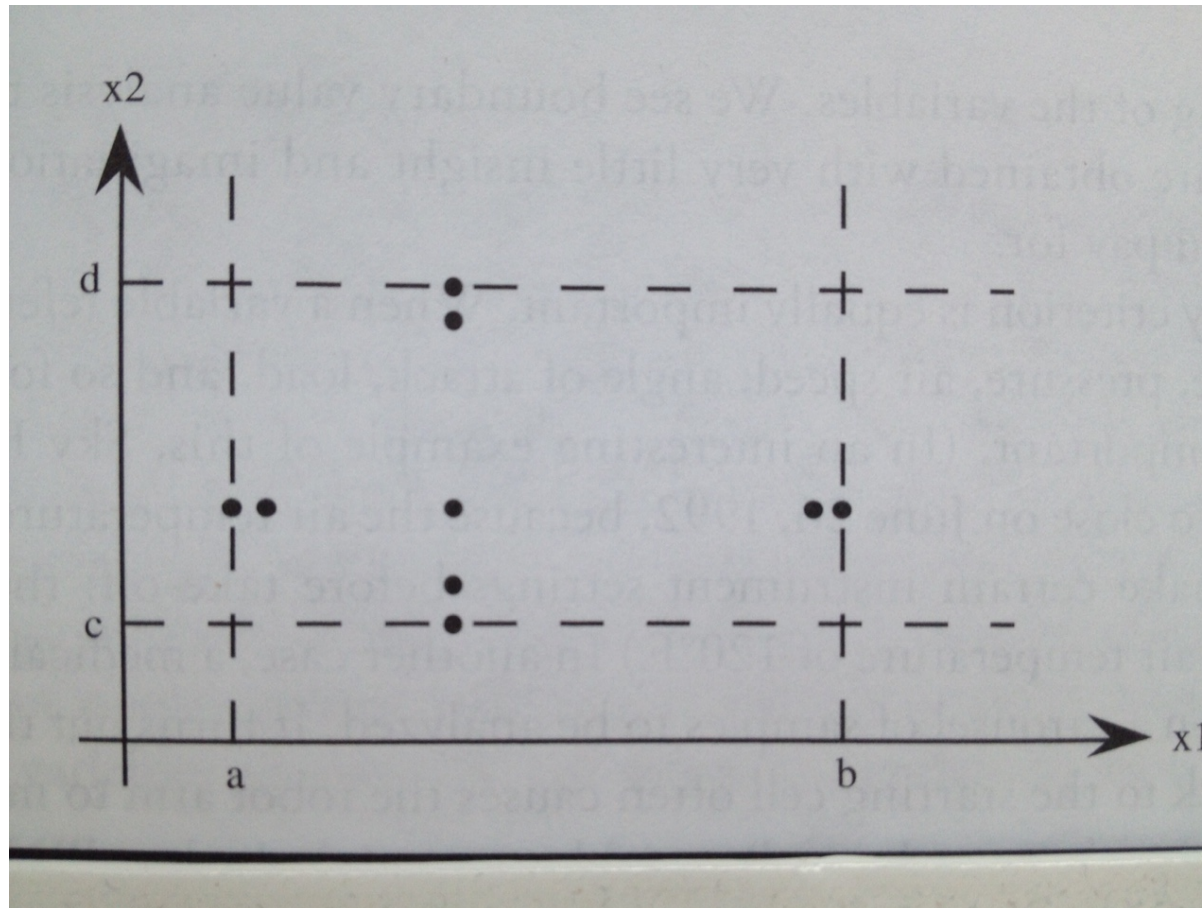
Consequently, **Boundary Value Analysis** test cases are:

- keep all but one variable at their normal values
- let that variable range over all the values from the previous slide.

For 2 input variables: 9 test cases.

For n input variables: $4n + 1$ test cases.

BVA – illustration with 2 inputs



Robustness Testing

Forces attention on exception handling.

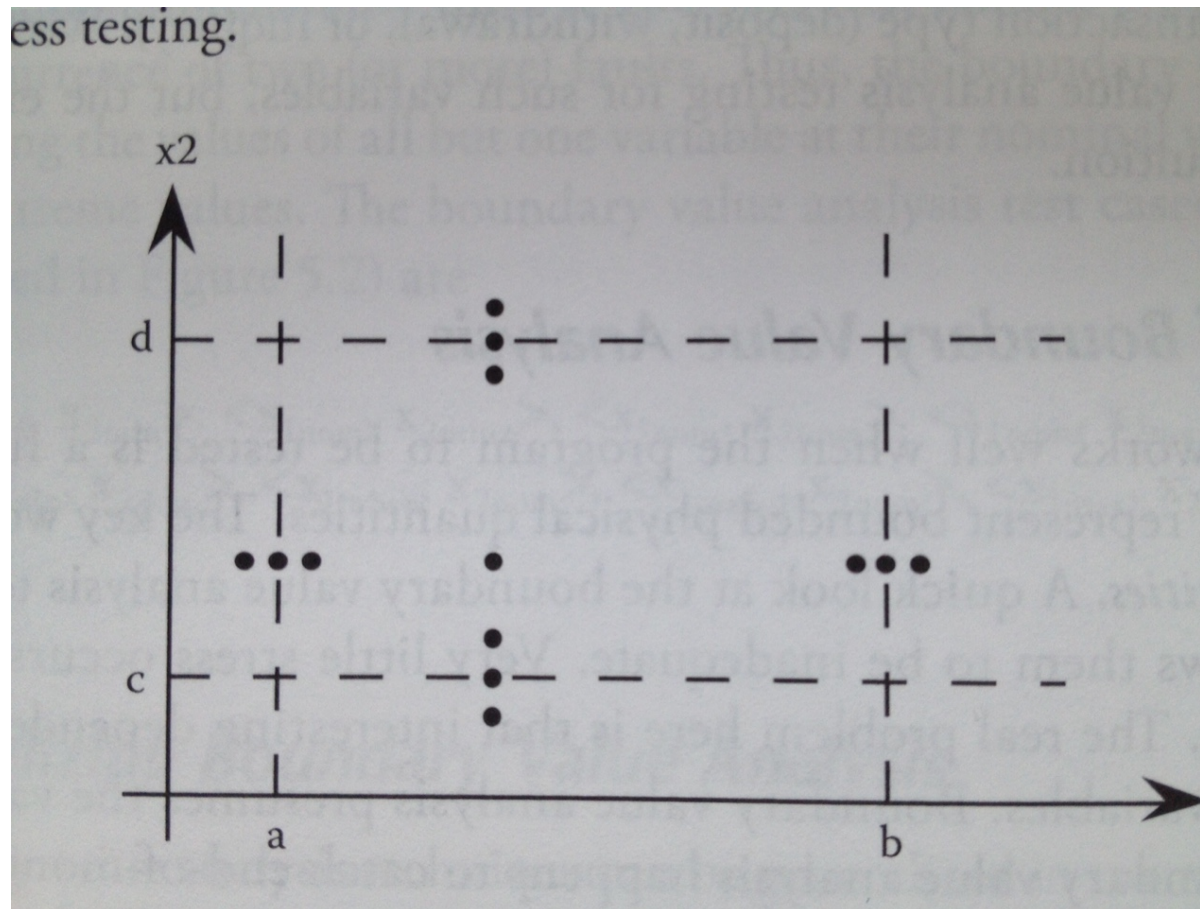
add

- value slightly larger than maximum – “ $max+$ ”
 - value slightly smaller than minimum – “ $min-$ ”
- and generate test cases as before.

What happens if a physical quantity exceeds its maximum?

- load capacity of an elevator
- date, e.g. May 32
- temperature

Robustness Testing – illustration with 2 inputs

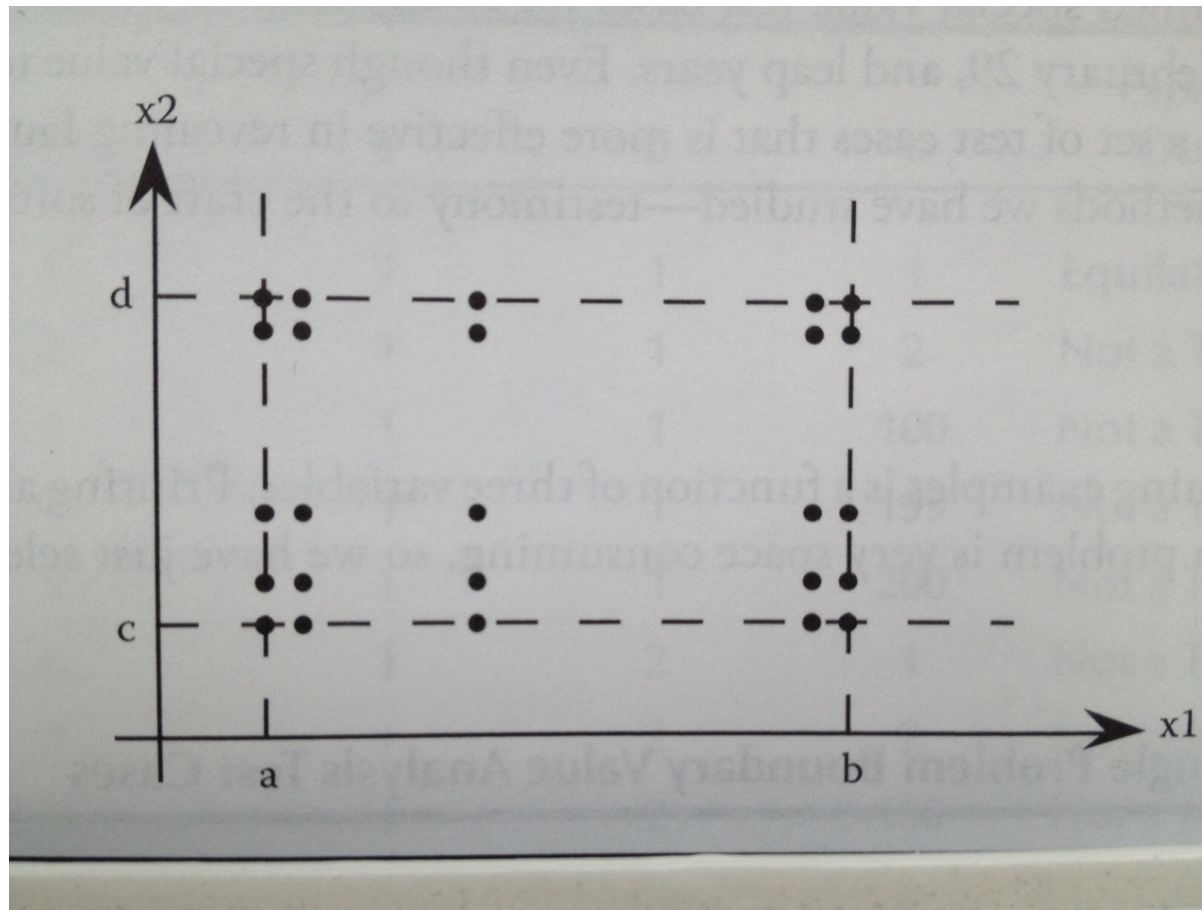


Worst Case Testing

Drop the single fault assumption.

Take the Cartesian product of the selected values of all variables.

Worst Case Testing – illustration with 2 inputs

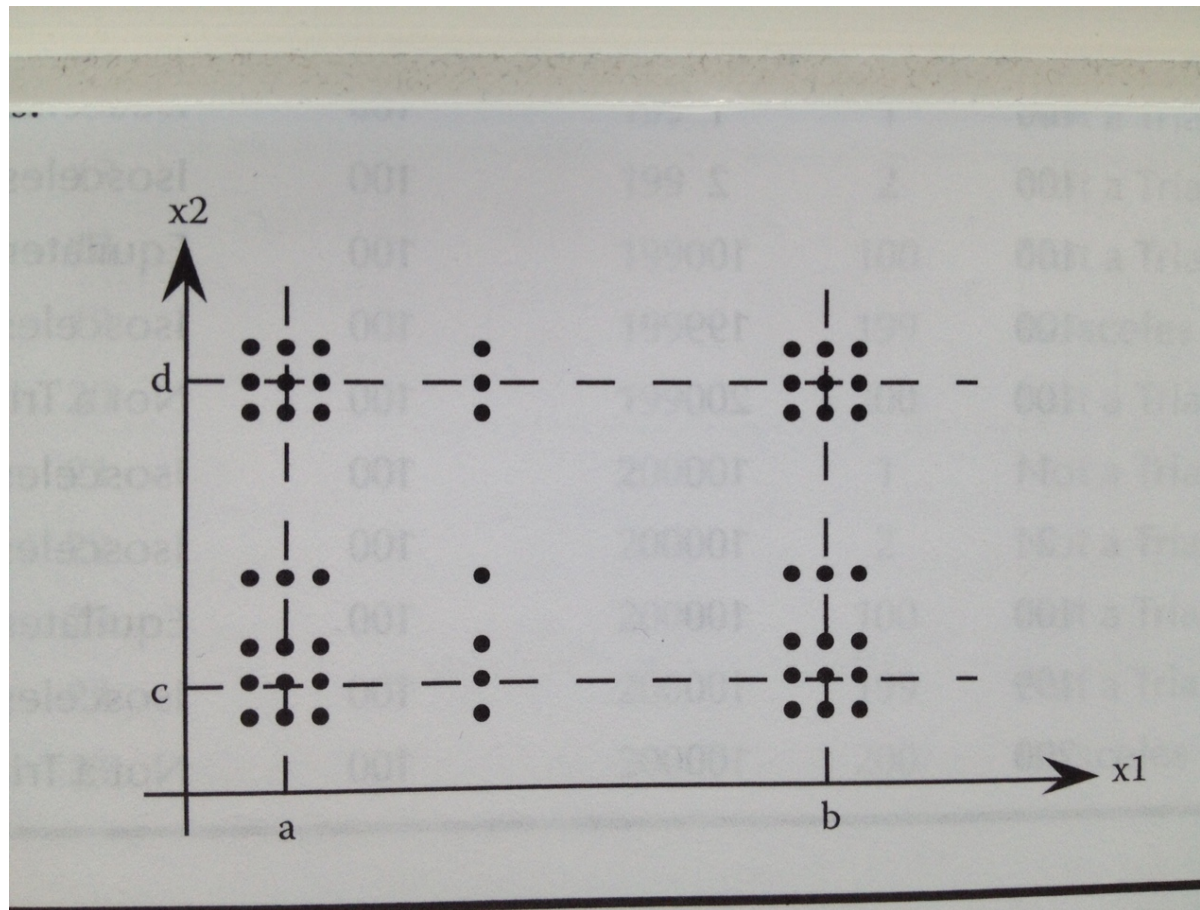


Robust Worst Case Testing

Drop the single fault assumption.

Add “max+ and “min-”

Robust Worst Case Testing – illustration with 2 inputs



Summary

4 Variants of Boundary Value Testing:
Boundary Value Analysis, Robustness Testing, Worst Case Testing, Robust Worst Case Testing.

Dimensions:

- Considering robustness or not.
- With or without single fault assumption.