

CS3300 Introduction to Software Engineering

Lecture 16: White-Box Testing

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White-Box Testing



Basic Assumption

Executing the faulty statement is a necessary condition for revealing a fault

White-Box Testing



Advantages

- Based on the code
 - Can be measured objectively
 - Can be measured automatically
- Can be used to compare test suites
- Allows for covering the coded behavior

White-Box Testing



Different Kinds

- Control-Flow Based
- Data-flow based
- Fault based

Let's Consider Program printSum()

- 1. printSum (int a, int b) {
- 2. int result = a+b;
- 3. if (result > 0)
- 4. printcol("red", result);
- 5. else if (result < 0)
- 6. printcol("blue", result);
- 7. }

Coverage Criteria

Defined in terms of

Test requirements - Elements/entities in the code that we need to execute

Result in Test specifications Test cases

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Req #1

_ Req #2

printSum: Test Specifications





printSum: Test Cases





Coverage Criteria: Statement Coverage



Statements in the program

Coverage Measure Number of executed Statements

Total number of Statements

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Statement coverage in Practice



Most used in Industry

"Typical coverage" target is 80 – 90%

Why don't we aim at 100%

[Unreachable code, dead code, complex sequences, [Not enough resources

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Coverage is never 100%

Control Flow Graphs

Representation for the code that is very convenient when we run our reason about the code and its structure.

Represents statement with nodes and the flow of control within the code with edges.



Next Class

Branch Coverage Condition Coverage Branch & Condition Coverage Modified Condition/Decision Coverage Test Criteria Subsumption Industry Standards

