

Introduction to Software Testing

Chapter 3.3

Logic Coverage from Source Code

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Logic Expressions from Source

- Predicates are derived from decision statements in programs
- In programs, most predicates have less than four clauses
 - Wise programmers actively strive to keep predicates simple
- When a predicate only has one clause, COC, ACC, ICC, and CC all collapse to predicate coverage (PC)
- Applying logic criteria to program source is hard because of reachability and controllability:
 - Reachability : Before applying the criteria on a predicate at a particular statement, we have to get to that statement
 - Controllability : We have to find input values that indirectly assign values to the variables in the predicates
 - Variables in the predicates that are not inputs to the program are called *internal variables*
- These issues are illustrated through the triangle example in the following slides ...

```

30 private static int Triang (int Side1, int Side2, int Side3)
31 {
32     int tri_out;
33
34     // tri_out is output from the routine:
35     //   Triang = 1 if triangle is scalene
36     //   Triang = 2 if triangle is isosceles
37     //   Triang = 3 if triangle is equilateral
38     //   Triang = 4 if not a triangle
39
40     // After a quick confirmation that it's a legal
41     // triangle, detect any sides of equal length
42     if (Side1 <= 0 || Side2 <= 0 || Side3 <= 0)
43     {
44         tri_out = 4;
45         return (tri_out);
46     }
47
48     tri_out = 0;
49     if (Side1 == Side2)
50         tri_out = tri_out + 1;
51     if (Side1 == Side3)
52         tri_out = tri_out + 2;
53     if (Side2 == Side3)
54         tri_out = tri_out + 3;
55     if (tri_out == 0)
56     { // Confirm it's a legal triangle before declaring
57         // it to be scalene
58
59         if (Side1+Side2<=Side3||Side2+Side3 <= Side1
60             || Side1+Side3 <= Side2)
61             tri_out = 4;
62         else
63             tri_out = 1;
64         return (tri_out);
65     }
66
67     /* Confirm it's a legal triangle before declaring
68      it to be isosceles or equilateral */
69
70     if (tri_out > 3)
71         tri_out = 3;
72     else if (tri_out == 1 && Side1+Side2 > Side3)
73         tri_out = 2;
74     else if (tri_out == 2 && Side1+Side3 > Side2)
75         tri_out = 2;
76     else if (tri_out == 3 && Side2+Side3 > Side1)
77         tri_out = 2;
78     else
79         tri_out = 4;
80     return (tri_out);
81 } // end Triang

```

Ten Triang Predicates

42: (Side1 <= 0 || Side2 <= 0 || Side3 <= 0)

49: (Side1 == Side2)

51: (Side1 == Side3)

53: (Side2 == Side3)

55: (triOut == 0)

59: (Side1+Side2 <= Side3 || Side2+Side3 <= Side1 ||
Side1+Side3 <= Side2)

70: (triOut > 3)

72: (triOut == 1 && Side1+Side2 > Side3)

74: (triOut == 2 && Side1+Side3 > Side2)

76: (triOut == 3 && Side2+Side3 > Side1)

Reachability for Triang Predicates

42: True

49: $P1 = s1 > 0 \&\& s2 > 0 \&\& s3 > 0$

51: $P1$

53: $P1$

55: $P1$

59: $P1 \&\& triOut = 0$

62: $P1 \&\& triOut = 0$

$\&\& (s1 + s2 > s3) \&\& (s2 + s3 > s1) \&\& (s1 + s3 > s2)$

70: $P1 \&\& triOut \neq 0$

72: $P1 \&\& triOut \neq 0 \&\& triOut \leq 3$

74: $P1 \&\& triOut \neq 0 \&\& triOut \leq 3 \&\& (triOut \neq 1 \mid s1 + s2 \leq s3)$

76: $P1 \&\& triOut \neq 0 \&\& triOut \leq 3 \&\& (triOut \neq 1 \mid s1 + s2 \leq s3)$
 $\&\& (triOut \neq 2 \mid s1 + s3 \leq s2)$

78: $P1 \&\& triOut \neq 0 \&\& triOut \leq 3 \&\& (triOut \neq 1 \mid s1 + s2 \leq s3)$
 $\&\& (triOut \neq 2 \mid s1 + s3 \leq s2) \&\& (triOut \neq 3 \mid s2 + s3 \leq s1)$

Need to solve for the
internal variable
triOut

Solving for Internal Variable *triOut*

At line 55, triOut has a value in the range (0 .. 6)

triOut = 0 $s1 \neq s2 \quad \&\& \quad s1 \neq s3 \quad \&\& \quad s2 \neq s3$

1 $s1 = s2 \quad \&\& \quad s1 \neq s3 \quad \&\& \quad s2 \neq s3$

2 $s1 \neq s2 \quad \&\& \quad s1 = s3 \quad \&\& \quad s2 \neq s3$

3 $s1 \neq s2 \quad \&\& \quad s1 \neq s3 \quad \&\& \quad s2 = s3$

4 $s1 = s2 \quad \&\& \quad s1 \neq s3 \quad \&\& \quad s2 = s3$ — **Contradiction**

5 $s1 \neq s2 \quad \&\& \quad s1 = s3 \quad \&\& \quad s2 = s3$ — **Contradiction**

6 $s1 = s2 \quad \&\& \quad s1 = s3 \quad \&\& \quad s2 = s3$

Reachability for Triang Predicates (solved for triOut – reduced)

42: True

49: $P1 = s1 > 0 \ \&\& \ s2 > 0 \ \&\& \ s3 > 0$

51: $P1$

53: $P1$

55: $P1$

59: $P1 \ \&\& \ s1 \neq s2 \ \&\& \ s2 \neq s3 \ \&\& \ s2 \neq s1$ (triOut = 0)

62: $P1 \ \&\& \ s1 \neq s2 \ \&\& \ s2 \neq s3 \ \&\& \ s2 \neq s1$ (triOut = 0)

$\&\& \ (s1+s2 > s3) \ \&\& \ (s2+s3 > s1) \ \&\& \ (s1+s3 > s2)$

70: $P1 \ \&\& \ P2 = (s1=s2 \ || \ s1=s3 \ || \ s2=s3)$ (triOut != 0)

72: $P1 \ \&\& \ P2 \ \&\& \ P3 = (s1 \neq s2 \ || \ s1 \neq s3 \ || \ s2 \neq s3)$ (triOut <= 3)

74: $P1 \ \&\& \ P2 \ \&\& \ P3 \ \&\& \ (s1 \neq s2 \ || \ s1+s2 \leq s3)$

76: $P1 \ \&\& \ P2 \ \&\& \ P3 \ \&\& \ (s1 \neq s2 \ || \ s1+s2 \leq s3)$

$\&\& \ (s1 \neq s3 \ || \ s1+s3 \leq s2)$

78: $P1 \ \&\& \ P2 \ \&\& \ P3 \ \&\& \ (s1 \neq s2 \ || \ s1+s2 \leq s3)$

$\&\& \ (s1 \neq s3 \ || \ s1+s3 \leq s2) \ \&\& \ (s2 \neq s3 \ || \ s2+s3 \leq s1)$

Looks complicated,
but a lot of
redundancy

Predicate Coverage

These values are
“don’t care”,
needed to
complete the test.

	T				F			
	A	B	C	EO	A	B	C	EO
p42: ($S_1 \leq 0 \parallel S_2 \leq 0 \parallel S_3 \leq 0$)	0	0	0	4	1	1	1	3
p49: ($S_1 == S_2$)	1	1	1	3	1	2	2	2
p51: ($S_1 == S_3$)	1	1	1	3	1	2	2	2
p53: ($S_2 == S_3$)	1	1	1	3	2	1	2	2
p55: ($\text{triOut} == 0$)	1	2	3	4	1	1	1	3
p59: ($S_1+S_2 \leq S_3 \parallel S_2+S_3 \leq S_1 \parallel S_1+S_3 \leq S_2$)	1	2	3	4	2	3	4	1
p70: ($\text{triOut} > 3$)	1	1	1	3	2	2	3	2
p72: ($\text{triOut} == 1 \&& S_1+S_2 > S_3$)	2	2	3	2	2	2	4	4
p74: ($\text{triOut} == 2 \&& S_1+S_3 > S_2$)	2	3	2	2	2	4	2	4
p76: ($\text{triOut} == 3 \&& S_2+S_3 > S_1$)	3	2	2	2	4	2	2	4

Clause Coverage

	T					F				
	A	B	C	EO		A	B	C	EO	
p42: ($S_1 \leq 0$)	0	1	1	4		1	1	1	3	
($S_2 \leq 0$)	1	0	1	4		1	1	1	3	
($S_3 \leq 0$)	1	1	0	4		1	1	1	3	
p59: ($S_1 + S_2 \leq S_3$)	2	3	6	4		2	3	4	1	
($S_2 + S_3 \leq S_1$)	6	2	3	4		2	3	4	1	
($S_1 + S_3 \leq S_2$)	2	6	3	4		2	3	4	1	
p72: ($\text{triOut} == 1$)	2	2	3	2		2	3	2	2	
($S_1 + S_2 > S_3$)	2	2	3	2		2	2	5	4	
p74: ($\text{triOut} == 2$)	2	3	2	2		3	2	2	2	
($S_1 + S_3 > S_2$)	2	3	2	2		2	5	2	4	
p76: ($\text{triOut} == 3$)	3	2	2	2		1	2	1	4	
($S_2 + S_3 > S_1$)	3	2	2	2		5	2	2	4	

Correlated Active Clause Coverage

	A	B	C	EO		
p42: $(S1 \leq 0 \parallel S2 \leq 0 \parallel S3 \leq 0)$	T F f T f	f f f T f	f f f 1 0	0 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 0	4 3 4 4	
p59: $(S1+S2 \leq S3 \parallel S2+S3 \leq S1 \parallel S1+S3 \leq S2)$	T F f T f	f f f T f	f f f T f	2 2 6 2 2	3 6 3 4 2 3 6 2 3 6 2 3	4 1 4 4
p72: $(\text{triOut} == 1 \&\& S1+S2 > S3)$	T F t	t t F	t t F	2 2 2	2 3 3 2 2 5	2 2
p74: $(\text{triOut} == 2 \&\& S1+S3 > S2)$	T F t	t t F	t t F	2 2 2	3 2 3 3 5 2	2 2 4
p76: $(\text{triOut} == 3 \&\& S2+S3 > S1)$	T F t	t t F	t t F	3 1 5	2 2 2 2 2 2	2 4 4

s1=s2 && s1!=s3 && s2!=s3

s1!=s2 && s1=s3 && s2!=s3

s1!=s2 && s1!=s3 && s2=s3

At least one pair of sides must be equal.

Program Transformation Issues

```
if ((a && b) || c) {  
    S1;  
}  
else {  
    S2;  
}
```

Transform (1)?

```
if (a) {  
    if (b)  
        S1;  
    else {  
        if (c)  
            S1;  
        else  
            S2;  
    }  
}  
else {  
    if (c)  
        S1;  
    else  
        S2;  
}
```

Transform (2)?

```
d = a && b;  
e = d || c;  
if (e) {  
    S1;  
}  
else {  
    S2;  
}
```

Problems with Transformed Programs

- Maintenance is certainly harder with Transform (1)
 - Not recommended!
- Coverage on Transform (1)
 - PC on transform does not imply CACC on original
 - CACC on original does not imply PC on transform
- Coverage on Transform (2)
 - Structure used by logic criteria is “lost”
 - Hence CACC on transform 2 only requires 3 tests
 - Note: Mutation analysis (Chapter 5) addresses this problem
- Bottom Line: Logic coverage criteria are there to help you!

a	b	c	$(a \wedge b) \vee c$	CACC	PC	CACC(2)
T	T	T	T		X	
T	T	F	T	X		X
T	F	T	T	X	X	X
T	F	F	F	X	X	
F	T	T	T		X	
F	T	F	F	X		X
F	F	T	T			
F	F	F	F		X	

Summary : Logic Coverage for Source Code

- **Predicates** appear in decision statements
 - if, while, for, etc.
- Most predicates have less than **four clauses**
 - But some applications have predicates with many clauses
- The hard part of applying logic criteria to source is resolving the **internal variables**
- **Non-local variables** (class, global, etc.) are also input variables if they are used
- If an input variable is changed within a method, it is treated as an **internal variable** thereafter
- To maximize effect of logic coverage criteria:
 - Avoid transformations that hide predicate structure