# Introduction to Software Testing Chapter 2.3 Graph Coverage for Source Code

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## **Overview**

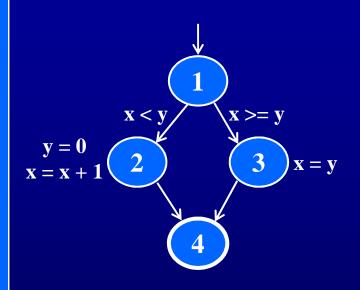
- The most common application of graph criteria is to program <u>source</u>
- Graph: Usually the control flow graph (CFG)
- Node coverage: Execute every statement
- Edge coverage: Execute every branch
- Loops : Looping structures such as for loops, while loops, etc.
- Data flow coverage: Augment the CFG
  - <u>defs</u> are statements that assign values to variables
  - uses are statements that use variables

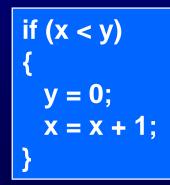
# **Control Flow Graphs**

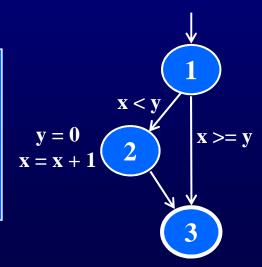
- A CFG models all executions of a method by describing control structures
- Nodes: Statements or sequences of statements (basic blocks)
- **Edges**: Transfers of control
- **Basic Block**: A sequence of statements such that if the first statement is executed, all statements will be (no branches)
- CFGs are sometimes annotated with extra information
  - branch predicates
  - defs
  - uses
- Rules for translating statements into graphs ...

## **CFG:** The if Statement

```
if (x < y)
{
    y = 0;
    x = x + 1;
}
else
{
    x = y;
}</pre>
```

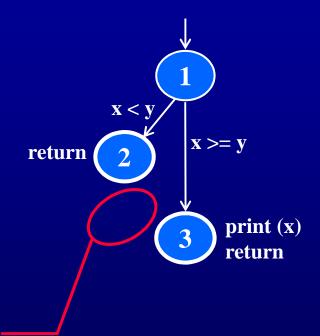






## **CFG: The if-Return Statement**

```
if (x < y)
{
    return;
}
print (x);
return;</pre>
```



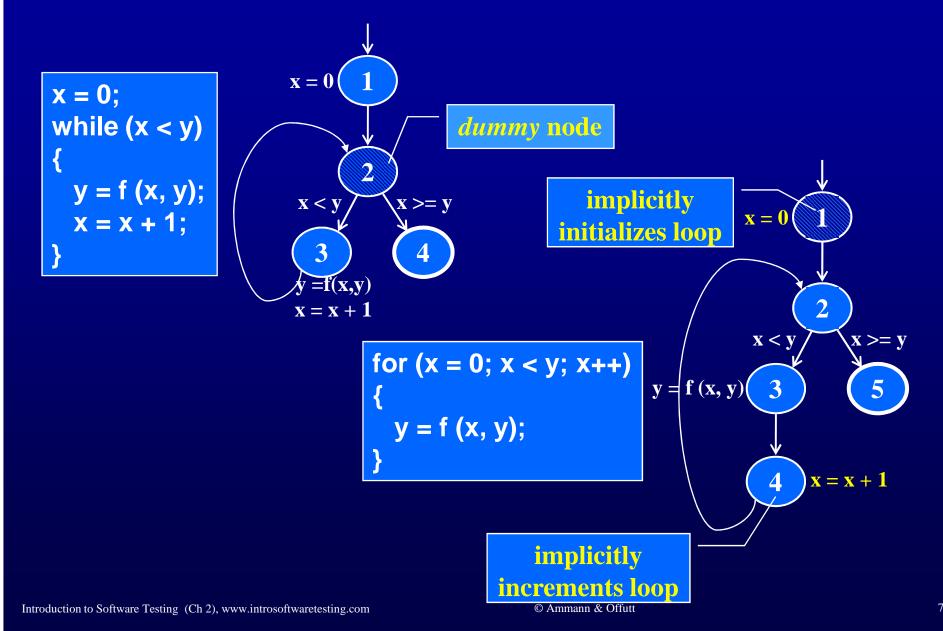
No edge from node 2 to 3. The return nodes must be distinct.

# Loops

• Loops require "extra" nodes to be added

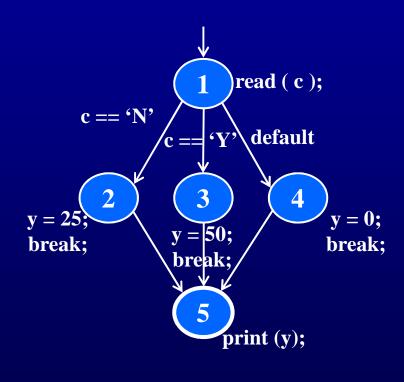
Nodes that <u>do not</u> represent statements or basic blocks

# **CFG:** while and for Loops



# CFG: The case (switch) Structure

```
read (c);
switch (c)
 case 'N':
   y = 25;
   break;
 case 'Y':
   y = 50;
   break;
 default:
   y = 0;
   break;
print (y);
```



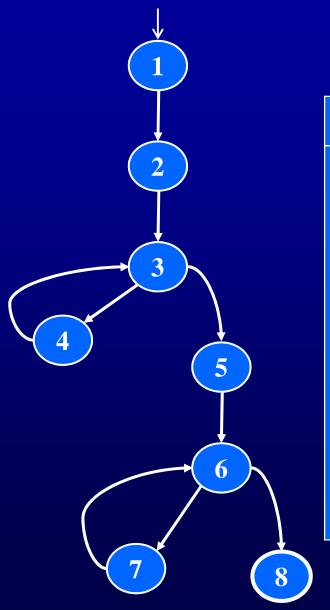
# **Example Control Flow – Stats**

```
public static void computeStats (int [] numbers)
   int length = numbers.length;
   double med, var, sd, mean, sum, varsum;
   sum = 0:
   for (int i = 0; i < length; i++)
      sum += numbers [ i ];
   med = numbers [length / 2];
   mean = sum / (double) length;
   varsum = 0:
   for (int i = 0; i < length; i++)
      varsum = varsum + ((numbers [ ] - mean) * (numbers [ ] - mean));
   var = varsum / (length - 1.0);
   sd = Math.sqrt (var);
   System.out.println ("length:
                                          " + length);
                                           " + mean);
   System.out.println ("mean:
   System.out.println ("median:
                                           " + med);
   System.out.println ("variance:
                                           " + var);
   System.out.println ("standard deviation: " + sd);
```

# **Control Flow Graph for Stats**

```
public static void computeStats (int [] numbers)
   int length = numbers.length;
   double med, var, sd, mean, sum, varsum;
   sum = 0:
   tor until = 0: | length: i++
      sum += pumbers [ i ];
   med = numbers [length / 2];
                                                                              = length
   mean = sum / (double) length;
   varsum = 0
                                                                    length
 tor (int i = 0; i < length; i++)
      varsum = varsum + ((numbers [ I ] - mean) * (numbers [ I ] - mean));
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                                                                              6
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                                            + mea);
                                                                               = length
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                                           " + var);
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```

## **Control Flow TRs and Test Paths – EC**



## **Edge Coverage**

TR

B. [2, 3]

C. [3, 4]

D. [3, 5]

E. [4, 3]

**F.** [ 5, 6 ]

G. [6, 7]

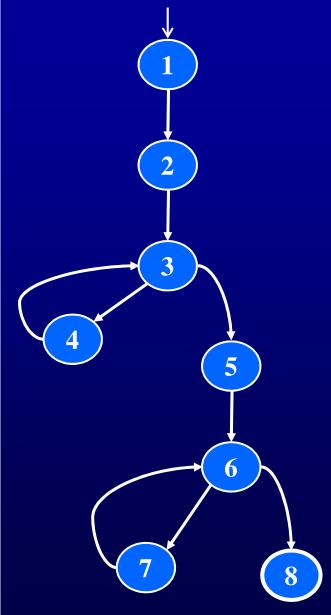
H. [6,8]

**L** [ 7, 6 ]

**Test Path** 

A. [1, 2] [1, 2, 3, 4, 3, 5, 6, 7, 6, 8]

## **Control Flow TRs and Test Paths – EPC**



## **Edge-Pair Coverage**

#### TR

D. [3, 4, 3]

E. [3, 5, 6]

**F.** [4, 3, 5]

G. [5, 6, 7]

H. [5, 6, 8]

**I.** [6, 7, 6]

J. [7, 6, 8]

K. [4, 3, 4]

L. [7, 6, 7]

#### **Test Paths**

A. [1, 2, 3] | i. [1, 2, 3, 4, 3, 5, 6, 7, 6, 8]

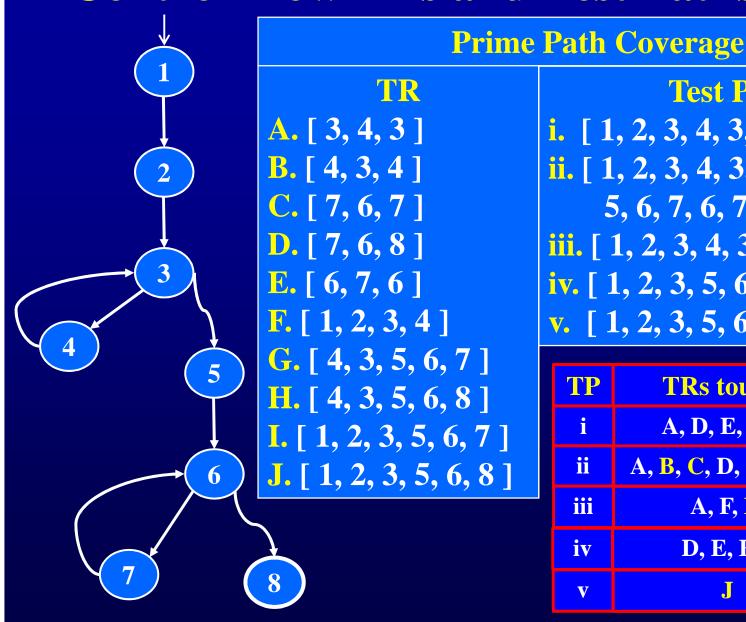
**B.** [2, 3, 4] | ii. [1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8]

C. [2, 3, 5] iii. [1, 2, 3, 4, 3, 4, 3, 5, 6, 7,

6, 7, 6, 8]

TP	TRs toured	sidetrips
i	A, B, D, E, F, G, I J	C, H
ii	A, C, E, H	
iii	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, I, J, K, L	Н

## Control Flow TRs and Test Paths – PPC



### **Test Paths**

**i.** [1, 2, 3, 4, 3, 5, 6, 7, 6, 8] ii. [1, 2, 3, 4, 3, 4, 3, **5**, **6**, **7**, **6**, **7**, **6**, **8**] iii. [1, 2, 3, 4, 3, 5, 6, 8] iv. [1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 6, 8] v. [1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8]

TP	TRs toured	sidetrips
i	A, D, E, F, G	H, I, J
ii	A, B, C, D, E, F, G,	H, I, J
iii	A, F, H	J
iv	D, E, F, I	J
v	J	

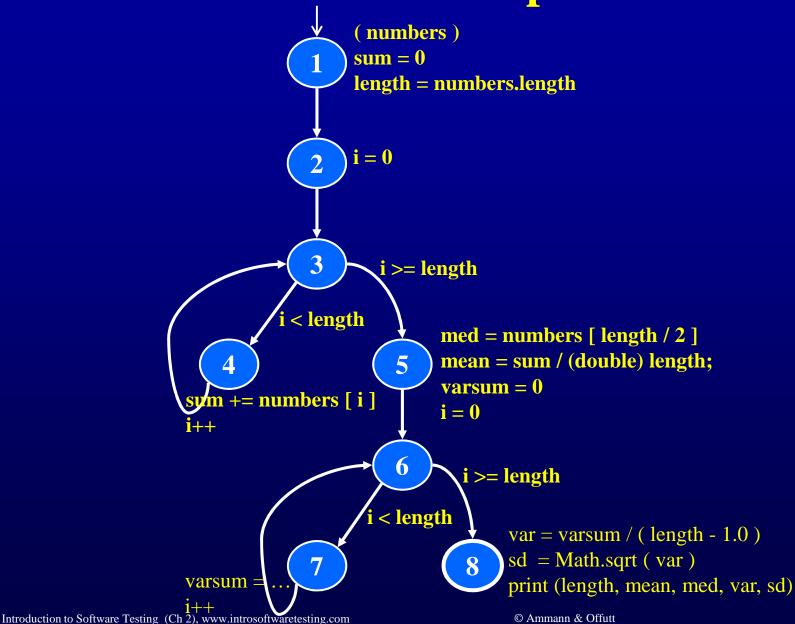
# **Data Flow Coverage for Source**

- def: a location where a value is stored into memory
  - x appears on the left side of an assignment (x = 44;)
  - x is an actual parameter in a call and the method changes its value
  - x is a formal parameter of a method (implicit def when method starts)
  - x is an input to a program
- use: a location where variable's value is accessed
  - x appears on the right side of an assignment
  - x appears in a conditional test
  - x is an actual parameter to a method
  - x is an output of the program
  - x is an output of a method in a return statement
- If a def and a use appear on the <u>same node</u>, then it is only a DUpair if the def occurs <u>after</u> the use and the node is in a loop

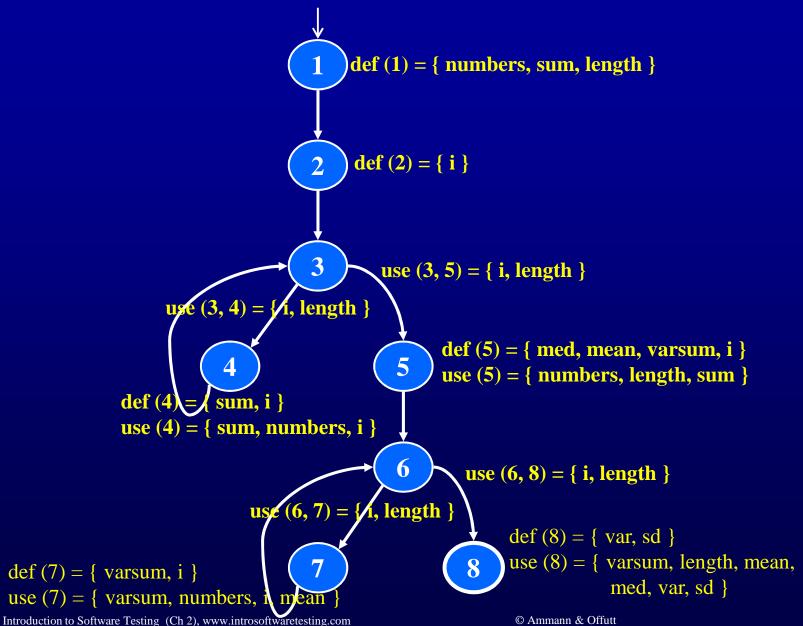
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                                           " + var):
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```

# **Control Flow Graph for Stats**



## CFG for Stats – With Defs & Uses



# **Defs and Uses Tables for Stats**

Node	Def	Use
1	{ numbers, sum, length }	
2	{ i }	
3		
4	{ sum, i }	{ numbers, i, sum }
5	{ med, mean, varsum, i }	{ numbers, length, sum }
6		
7	{ varsum, i }	{ varsum, numbers, i, mean }
8	{ var, sd }	{ varsum, length, var, mean, med, var, sd }

Edge	Use
(1, 2)	
(2, 3)	
(3, 4)	{ i, length }
(4, 3)	
(3,5)	{ i, length }
(5, 6)	
(6, 7)	{ i, length }
(7, 6)	
(6, 8)	{ i, length }

# **DU Pairs for Stats**

variable	DU Pairs	defs come <u>before</u> uses, do not count as DU pairs
numbers	(1,4)(1,5)(1,7)	not count as DO pairs
length	(1,5)(1,8)(1,(3,4))(1,(3,5))(1,(6,7))(1,(6,8))	
med	(5,8)	
var	(8,8)	defs <u>after</u> use in loop,
sd	(8,8)	these are valid DU pairs
mean	(5,7)(5,8)	
sum	(1,4)(1,5)(4,4)(4,5)	No def-clear path different scope for i
varsum	(5,7)(5,8)(7,7)(7,8)	different scope for f
i	(2,4)(2,(3,4))(2,(3,5))(2,7)(2,(6,7))(2,(6,8))	
	(4,4)(4,(3,4))(4,(3,5))(4,7)(	( <del>1</del> , ( <del>6</del> , <del>7</del> )) ( <del>1</del> , ( <del>6</del> , <del>8</del> ))
	(5,7)(5,(6,7))(5,(6,8))	
		No path through graph from nodes 5 and 7 to 4 or 3

# **DU Paths for Stats**

variable	DU Pairs	DU Paths
numbers	(1, 4)	[1, 2, 3, 4]
	(1,5)	[1, 2, 3, 5]
	(1,7)	[1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7]
length	(1, 5)	[1, 2, 3, 5]
	(1,8)	[1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8]
	(1, (3,4))	[1, 2, 3, 4]
	(1, (3,5))	[1, 2, 3, 5]
	(1, (6,7))	[1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7]
	(1, (6,8))	[1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8]
med	(5, 8)	[5, 6, 8]
var	(8, 8)	No path needed
sd	(8, 8)	No path needed
sum	(1, 4)	[1, 2, 3, 4]
	(1,5)	[1, 2, 3, 5]
	(4, 4)	[4, 3, 4]
	(4, 5)	[4, 3, 5]

variable	DU Pairs	DU Paths
mean	(5, 7)	[5, 6, 7]
	(5, 8)	[5, 6, 8]
varsum	(5, 7)	[5, 6, 7]
	(5,8)	[5, 6, 8]
	(7,7)	[7, 6, 7]
	(7, 8)	[7, 6, 8]
i	(2, 4)	[2, 3, 4]
	(2, (3,4))	[2, 3, 4]
	(2, (3,5))	[2, 3, 5]
	(4, 4)	[4, 3, 4]
	(4, (3,4))	[4, 3, 4]
	(4, (3,5))	[4, 3, 5]
	(5, 7)	[5, 6, 7]
	(5, (6,7))	[5, 6, 7]
	(5, (6,8))	[5, 6, 8]
	(7,7)	[7, 6, 7]
	(7, (6,7))	[7, 6, 7]
	(7, (6,8))	[7, 6, 8]

# **DU Paths for Stats – No Duplicates**

There are 38 DU paths for Stats, but only 12 unique

★ 5 expect a loop not to be "entered"

- 5 require at least one iteration of a loop
- **2** require at least <u>two</u> iteration of a loop

## **Test Cases and Test Paths**

```
Test Case: numbers = (44); length = 1

Test Path: [1, 2, 3, 4, 3, 5, 6, 7, 6, 8]

Additional DU Paths covered (no sidetrips)

[1, 2, 3, 4] [2, 3, 4] [4, 3, 5] [5, 6, 7] [7, 6, 8]

The five stars → that require at least one iteration of a loop
```

```
Test Case: numbers = (2, 10, 15); length = 3

Test Path: [1, 2, 3, 4, 3, 4, 3, 4, 3, 5, 6, 7, 6, 7, 6, 7, 6, 8]

DU Paths covered (no sidetrips)

[4, 3, 4] [7, 6, 7]

The two stars  that require at least two iterations of a loop
```

Other DU paths require arrays with length 0 to skip loops
But the method fails with divide by zero on the statement ...

mean = sum / (double) length;

A fault was

found

# Summary

- Applying the graph test criteria to control flow graphs is relatively straightforward
  - Most of the developmental research work was done with CFGs
- A few subtle decisions must be made to translate control structures into the graph
- Some tools will assign each statement to a unique node
  - These slides and the book uses basic blocks
  - Coverage is the same, although the bookkeeping will differ