

A Review of Techniques for Clarifying Black Box Models

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In the past, a number of techniques for automatically creating test cases have been presented. The majority of these procedures, however, are structural testing methods that necessitate knowledge of the program's underlying operations. The combined practical coverage of all testing methods is lower(2). Additionally, we assume a case scenario of insurance premium calculation for drivers and derive test cases and test data for box testing methods like Branch testing, Statement testing, Condition Coverage testing, and multiple condition coverage testing. In this paper, we conducted a literature study on all testing techniques related to both Black box and White box testing techniques. In a similar manner, we derive test cases and test data for the black box testing methods. This literature research's primary objective is to provide a comprehensive explanation of various testing methods, along with a case study and their benefits. This literature research's primary objective is to provide a comprehensive explanation of various testing methods, along with a case study and their benefits.

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1. Introduction

One of the most popular methods for verifying and validating software quality is software testing. The process of running a program or system with the goal of identifying errors is known as software testing[1]. It is estimated to be costly and labor-intensive, contributing more than half of the overall cost of software development. One important step in the software development life cycle (SDLC) is software testing[2]. It aids in developing a developer's confidence that a software achieves its goals. To put it another way, it's the process of running a program with the goal of identifying faults 3. Black box testing is frequently used for validation in the Verification and Validation (VCV) language (i.e. are we producing the proper software?) and verification (i.e., are we constructing the software correctly?) is frequently accomplished through white box testing. This study highlights the importance of looking into different testing methods in the field of software testing; to get reviews from the state-of-the-art, we did a literature review[4].

2. LITERATURE SURVEY FOR BLACK BOX TESTING

Numerous techniques for automatically generating test cases have been put forth in the past. However, the majority of these methods are structural testing methods that necessitate knowledge of the program's internal operations[5]. The practical coverage of all testing methods combined is lower. In this paper, we carried out a review of the literature on all testing methodologies that are connected to both Black and White box testing methodologies. In addition, we make the assumption that a driver's insurance premium is calculated in this scenario and obtain the test cases and test data for White box testing methodologies like Branch testing, Statement testing, the test cases and test data for black box testing techniques like boundary value analysis and equivalency partitioning are derived similarly for condition coverage testing and multiple condition coverage testing[6]. One of the most popular methods for confirming and validating software quality is software testing. The process of running a program or system with the goal of identifying errors is known as software testing. It is estimated to be costly and labor-intensive, making up more than half of the overall cost of software development. One important step in the software development life cycle (SDLC) is software testing[2]. It aids in building a developer's confidence that a software accomplishes its goals. To put it another way, it's the process of running a program with the goal of identifying faults (Biswal et al. 2010). Black box testing is frequently used for validation in the Verification and Validation (VCV) language (i.e. are we producing the proper software?) and verification (i.e., are we constructing the program right?) is frequently accomplished through white box testing[3]. This study highlights the importance of looking into different testing methods in the field of software testing; to get reviews from the state-of-the-art, we did a literature review[4].

3. METHODOLOGY

An application's functionality, security, performance, and other elements can be assessed using black box testing, a type of testing in which the underlying workings of the system are not known. One type of automated black box security testing is dynamic code analysis[10]. The foundation of white box testing is an application's internal architecture. It can be used for low-level tasks like integration and unit testing, among others. Boundary value analysis, decision table testing, state transition testing, equivalency partitioning, and other techniques are examples of black box techniques. Let's say you are testing the checkout procedure on an e-commerce website. You must evaluate the user experience like a black box tester without being aware of the underlying code. When a consumer adds things to their cart and pays, for example, you may verify that the checkout process is seamless. Syntax testing is the option that is not a black box technique. Syntax testing is a white box technique that looks at the system's core components to examine the code's correctness and structure[8]. The process of testing a system without being aware of its internal code or implementation specifics is known as "black box" testing. Making ensuring the system works properly from the user's point of view is the aim[1].

4. SOLVE THE BLACK BOX ISSUES

Various problem categories were identified as a result of a thorough examination and study of the literature. We are able to differentiate between explanation design and reverse engineering

at a very high level. In the first instance, the challenge is to reconstruct an explanation for the decision records generated by a black box decision maker. In real life, the original dataset used to train the black box is typically unknown (figure 1). To build, reverse engineering is required. The Open the Black Box Problems can be divided into two parts[9]: the Black Box Explanation problem, which explains how the decision system produced particular results, and the Transparent Box Design problem, which involves developing a transparent classifier that directly addresses the same classification issue. Additionally, the Black Box Explanation problem can be further subdivided into three categories: Model Explanation, which explains the entire logic of the obscure classifier; Outcome Explanation, which aims to explain the rationale behind the decisions made regarding a particular object; and Model Inspection, which aims to comprehend how the black box behaves internally when altering the input. At the conclusion of this section, specifics on reverse engineering techniques also referred to in the literature as post hoc interpretability are covered[10]. In the second scenario, the work entails creating an interpretable predictor model together with its justifications using a dataset of training decision records. We are able to further divide the first category into three distinct problems model explanation, result explanation, and model inspection by carefully examining the state of the art [11].

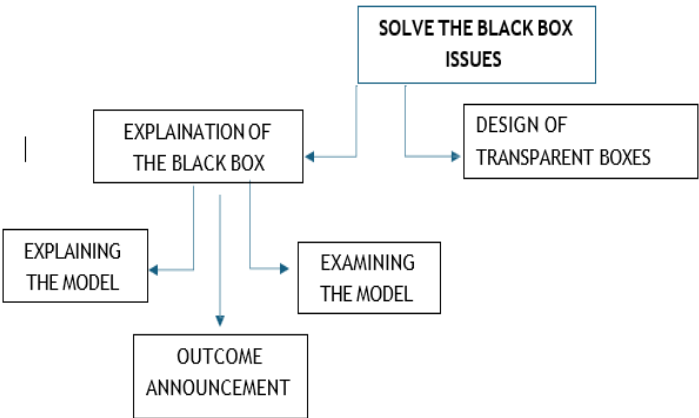


Figure 1. Crack the black box issues Classification

Remembering the idea of the "motivation" for an explanation that was covered in the previous part, the goal of the model explanation issue is to comprehend the general reasoning behind the black box, whereas the goal of the result explanation problem is to better understand the relationship between the information from a record and the final conclusion. Lastly, the model inspection problem is rather ambiguous and contingent upon the purpose of the particular paper being examined. Each of these issues can be viewed as a particular instance of a generic categorization problem, all of which aim to provide an accurate and comprehensible predictive model[12]. The following sections contain specifics on the formalization.

4.1 Black Box Testing

Software may be tested effectively via black box testing[1]. Manual testing includes black box testing. Test engineers handle it. Black box testing involves implementing several test cases to test the software's functionality without reviewing the code. We test the software's functionality. Black
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box testing aids in identifying problems or defects in software. In this kind of testing, the tester concentrates on verifying the functionality in accordance with the project's requirements rather than viewing the internal workings of the software. Black box testing falls into various areas. We enter data into the program and verify that it is working. We test the program by entering both accurate and inaccurate data and observing how it responds. We shall examine the advantages of black box testing in this study article. Without black box testing, software development is not complete as we cannot evaluate the program's quality. Every time software is developed, it is crucial to assess its quality to determine whether or not it is user-ready. To do this, we employ black box testing. Software testing that involves denying the test engineer access to the system's code is known as "black box" testing. By entering inputs and observing the outcome, the primary objective is to verify that the application is operating properly; the system's treatment of the inputs is not taken into account. Among the techniques needed to carry out black box testing are requirements analysis, Recognize the system requirements, test cases, and technical needs[8]. This makes figuring out the intended actions and outcomes for each system function easy (Table 1). Clearly state the testing goals, which should include verifying that the application meets the requirements and contrasting the system's behavior with the expected results. Equivalency Tests for Design Dividing the input data into classes with the presumption that each class would yield identical results is known as class partitioning. Boundary value analysis is used to test the limits of input values, including those that are just below, at, and above a limit. In order to accommodate input combinations, testing decision models creates decision tables. When testing for phase changes, the system's stages and transitions between them are noted[20]. Error speculating and testing plausible hypotheses regarding potential origins of errors. At random Use random input during testing to look for unexpected system behavior. Test Setting Prepare the test environment (hardware, software, network conditions, etc.) and set up the test arrangements.

Table 1: Black Box Testing[6]

Aspect	Description
Objective	To evaluate the effectiveness, advancements, and applications of black box testing techniques.
Key Focus Areas	Test case generation, test coverage, defect detection efficiency, automation tools, and testing frameworks.
Techniques Reviewed	Functional testing, equivalence partitioning, boundary value analysis, decision table testing, and state transition testing.
Research Trends	Integration of AI/ML for test case generation and automation.- Use of model-based testing for complex systems.- Enhanced tools for real-time testing.
Domains of Application	Software development, cybersecurity, mobile application testing, IoT systems, and embedded systems.
Challenges Identified	Lack of transparency in testing outcomes, handling of dynamic systems, scalability, and dependency on accurate specifications.
Advancements	New automation frameworks, improved algorithms for test case prioritization, and better defect detection mechanisms.
Tools Reviewed	Selenium, Appium, TestComplete, Postman, and others tailored for black box testing.
Metrics Evaluated	Test coverage, defect density, execution time, and resource utilization.
Future Directions	- Greater focus on AI-driven black box testing.- Enhancing cross- platform testing capabilities.- Improving test automation reliability.
Impact Assessment	Annual review assesses the adoption and return on investment (ROI) of black box testing methods in software quality assurance.

- Working of Black Box Testing

Black box testing has the primary benefit of removing the requirement for testers to possess both programming language and implementation expertise[13]. Programmers and testers are not connected to one another when doing black box testing. The fact that testing is done from the perspective of the user is an additional benefit. Finding any ambiguities or contradictions in the requirements specifications is one of black box testing's major benefits.[1] The steps that describe how Black Box Testing operates are as follows:

Step 1 Input The system's requirements and functional specifications are looked at. Source code for application blocks and high-level design documentation are also looked at. The tester selects valid input and discards invalid input.

Step 2 Processing Unit: Don't worry about how the system operates within. A processing unit tester creates and runs test cases using the chosen input. In addition, the tester does internationalization testing, load testing, stress testing, and security reviews. Defects will be rectified and retested if they are found.

Step 3 Output: Following all of the testing, the tester creates the final report and obtains the desired output[6].

- Combining Structural and Functional Techniques

In addition, testing entails outlining appropriate inputs, running the software over the input, and analyzing the results. The "Software Configuration" includes source code, design specifications, requirements specifications, and more. The "Test Configuration" consists of testing tools, test cases, and test plans and procedures. A testing technique outlines the approach taken in testing to choose input test cases and analyze test outcomes, and it is based on the testing information flow. A software system's quality can be revealed by a variety of methods, and testing methods fall into two main categories: structural and functional.[1]

The software application or system being tested is viewed as a "black box" in functional testing. The requirements or design specifications of the software item being tested determine which test cases are used for functional testing. Expected results can include hand-calculated values, simulated results, requirement/design specifications, and what are commonly referred to as test oracles. The primary focus of functional testing is the software entity's external behavior. The software entity is considered a "white box" in structural testing. The software entity's implementation determines which test cases are chosen. Such test cases are chosen with the intention of triggering the execution of particular locations inside the software entity, such as particular statements, program branches, or pathways[6]. A set of coverage criteria is used to assess the anticipated outcomes. Path coverage, branch coverage, and data-flow coverage are a few types of coverage criteria. Structural testing draws attention to the software entity's internal organization.

- Types of Black Box Testing

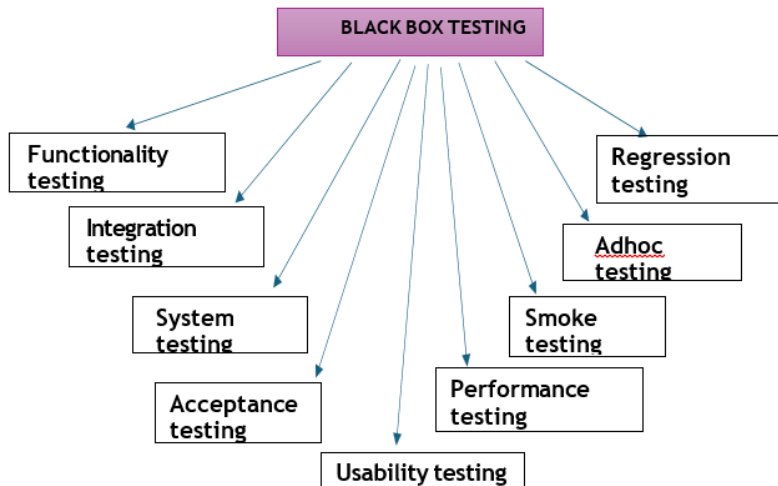


Figure 2. Types of Black Box Testing

- 1) **Functionality testing** : Testing each and every function of the software is called functionality testing. It can be done using both manual and automation checks if each function is working according to the requirement or not. When we test each and every component thoroughly against requirement specification is called as functionality testing[8] (Figure 2).
- 2) **Reliability testing**: In reliability testing we check how good a software performs over time or under special conditions. This helps test engineers to figure out bugs in the software (Table 2).
- 3) **Exploratory testing**: In this testing, test engineers explore a system without writing any specific test cases this is called Exploratory testing. Some of the examples of exploratory testing are Intentionally breaking the software, entering unexpected data, Exploring edge cases, etc.
- 4) **Integration testing**: Testing the data flow between the modules is called as integration testing. If module A is able to send data and module B is able to receive the data, then integration testing between modules A and B is passed[13].
- 5) **System testing** : System testing is end-to-end testing where the test environment is similar to the production environment. Navigating through all the features and check the end feature is working or not is called as end-to-end testing. When doing end-to-end testing we will not be worrying about functionality testing and integration testing, because before we start end-to-end testing, we have already done FT C IT[13].
- 6) **Acceptance testing**: It is end-to-end testing done by the engineers sitting at the customer's place wherein they consider real-time end-to-end business scenarios, and check whether software is capable of handling it or not. Under business pressure software company must push the software with lots of defects to avoid that the customer will do the acceptance testing. [1]
- 7) **Usability testing**: It is also known as yellow box testing, GUI and cosmetic testing. Testing the user-friendliness of an application is called as usability testing. In this, we check whether the look or

feel of the application is good or not. We will check whether it is easy to understand or not. [14]

8) Performance testing: Testing the ability and response time of an application by applying load is called performance testing. It is also known as Base line, Spike line and Bottleneck testing. There are several performance testings tools like J- meter, Neo-load, Load Runner, etc. We have different types of performance testing like Load testing, Stress testing, Volume testing, Soak testing. [15]

9) Accessibility testing : In this type of testing, human examine a website to check if it has any accessibility issues. This process takes up a lot of time and still testers are not able to catch the bugs. Some of the major examples of accessibility testing are Keyboard navigation, Screen reader, Closed captions, Motion sensitivities, etc. [16]

10) Smoke testing: Testing the basic or critical features of an application before we do thorough testing is called as smoke testing. Here we will test only basic and critical features. We will take every basic feature and test only for 1 or 2 important scenarios. Here we should do only positive testing. Smoke testing Is also known as Sanity testing, Dry run testing, Skim testing, Build verification testing, Confident testing and Health check of the product. [17]

11) Adhoc testing: Testing the application randomly is called as Adhoc testing, where we don't refer to any kind of formal documents like test cases and test scenarios. It is also known as Negative testing, out of box testing, Monkey testing and gorilla testing. Chances are their end user's use the software randomly and they might find defects, in order to avoid that we should do Adhoc testing. There are different types of adhoc testing like Buddy testing, Pair testing, and monkey testing.[18]

Table 2. Types of testing

Technique	Description	Applicable Domains	Purpose
Regression Testing	Verifies that changes or updates have not adversely affected existing functionalities.	Software Development, IT Systems	Ensures system reliability and stability after updates.
Load Testing	Assesses system performance under expected peak loads.	Web Applications, IT Infrastructure	Ensures system can handle anticipated user traffic or data load.
Penetration Testing	Simulates cyberattacks to identify vulnerabilities in a system.	Cybersecurity, IT Systems	Identifies potential security weaknesses and ensures compliance with regulations.
Compliance Testing	Checks adherence to legal, regulatory, or standards requirements.	Healthcare, Finance, Manufacturing	Ensures alignment with industry standards (e.g., GDPR, ISO, HIPAA).
Performance Testing	Evaluates system responsiveness, stability, and scalability under various conditions.	IT Systems, Engineering, Networks	Optimizes system efficiency and identifies bottlenecks.

12) Compatibility testing : Testing the functionality of an application in different hardware and software environments is called as Compatibility testing. It is also known as configuration testing or portability testing. Chances are that developers develop the software only for one platform. Test engineer would test the software in the same platform. Once after the software is tested in the base platform then only test engineer will test the software in different platform by doing compatibility testing.[19]

- Black Box Testing Method

Analysis of Boundary Values-Because programmers frequently make mistakes on the boundary of the input domain or equivalency classes, bugs tend to collect at boundaries and lurk in corners. This means that more systems have a tendency to fail on boundaries. An approach of testing called boundary value analysis focuses on additional information on testing at boundaries or the selection of extreme boundary values. Maximum, minimum, slightly inside/outside borders, usual values, and error values are examples of boundary values.[13]

Equivalency Partitioning-Equivalence partitioning is a black box testing technique that separates a software unit's input data into data partitions from which test cases can be generated. It lowers the quantity of test cases. When using equivalency class partitioning, an equivalence class is created from the inputs for which the system's behavior is known or anticipated to be comparable. A collection of states that are either valid or invalid for input conditions is represented by an equivalence class. An input condition is usually a Boolean condition, a set of related values, an array of values, or a specific numeric value. The next challenge is to choose the test cases appropriately after we have chosen the equivalency classes for each input[1].

Fuzz testing is frequently used as a black box software testing technique that uses automated or semi-automatic data injection with malformed or semi-malformed data to uncover implementation issues. Fuzzing is also used to check software for security. There are two types of fuzzing programs:

Mutation-based: these fuzzers create test data by altering an existing data sample.

Generation-based: Fuzzers that are based on models of input define new test data. Fuzzing can also indicate which program component needs more care, such as through partial rewrites, code audits, or the use of static analysis. Bugs like memory leaks and assertion failures are discovered with fuzz testing. Two limitations of protocol fuzzing are that a protocol fuzzer replays and modifies requests in real time by sending faked packets to the tested application[21].

4.2 All-Pair Testing

Test cases are created using the Black Box test design technique to run every possible discrete combination of each pair of input parameters. It is necessary to test every pair of values in pairwise testing[23]. We have a * b pair between each pair of parameters, as if there were "a" parameters with "b" values. Having a set of test cases that cover every pair is the primary goal of pairwise testing. The set of test cases will cover $(p-1) + (p-2) + \dots = p(p-1)/2$ pairs since there are "p" parameters as is. Pairwise testing is usually used in conjunction with other quality assurance methods like code review, unit testing, and fuzz testing because no testing method can detect every flaw[24,25]. This is a recognized method for maintaining a fair number of test cases while validating a finite number of parameters with a finite number of values[26,13].

4.3 White-Box Testing

The primary purpose of white box testing is to find logical mistakes in the software code. It is employed for code debugging, identifying sporadic typos, and exposing false programming presumptions[6]. White box testing is carried out on implementable code and low-level designs. In particular, unit, system, and integration testing can be used at any stage of system development. Other development artifacts, including as requirements analysis, design, and test cases, can benefit from white box testing[1,16] (Figure 3).

Static white box testing is one of the white box testing approaches. Desk inspection, code walkthrough, and formal inspections White box testing for structures are Coverage and control flow testing, Basic path testing, Loop testing, Data flow testing. Static White Box Testing: This type of testing is done before the code is run or finished and only includes the product's source code, not the binaries or executable. Only specific individuals are involved in static white box testing in order to identify code flaws. Static testing's primary goal is to verify that the code complies with the functional requirements, design, coding standards, all covered functionalities, and error handling. The main method of testing the code is desk checking. Before the code is compiled or run, programmers will perform static checking. If an error is discovered, the author will review it and fix it [15,16]. During this process, the code is compared to the requirements specification or design to ensure that the designed code complies with client ad hoc requests. A team of technical experts examines the code throughout this testing procedure, which is also referred to as a technical code walkthrough. One kind of semi- formal review method is this one. High-level staff members like technical leads, database administrators, and one or more peers participate in the code walkthrough process. Participants in this technical code walkthrough ask the author questions about the code, and the author responds by explaining the reasoning. If there are any errors in the reasoning, the code is fixed right away. Inspection is a structured, effective, and cost- effective way to identify mistakes in code and design. The goal of this official review is to find any errors, infractions, or negative consequences. "A defect is an instance in which a requirement is not satisfied," states M. E. Fagan. A systematic method for identifying flaws in the supplied source code is the Fagan inspection procedure. [17,18]

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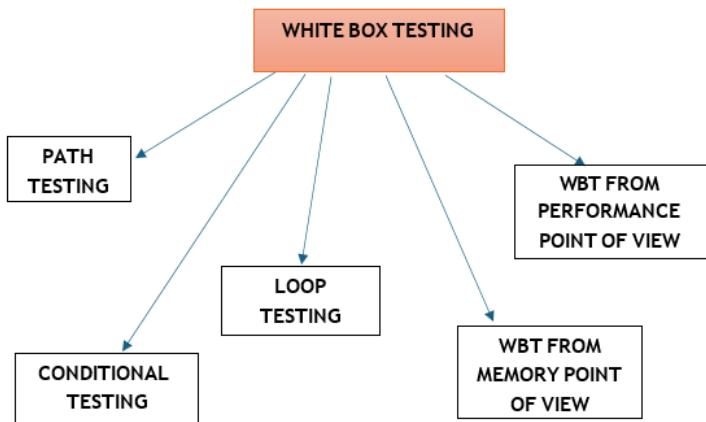


Figure 3. Types of White Box Testing

a) Path testing :To make sure that every potential operational path is assessed in light of the input conditions and the associated outputs the system generates, path testing entails developing test cases. It is predicated on how the system responds to various input combinations and the outputs that result, rather than delving into the internal workings (as in white-box testing). Making ensuring the system manages all functional paths appropriately depending on inputs, expected behavior, and outputs is the aim of path testing in black-box testing. From the standpoint of the user, it assists in identifying unexpected behavior, edge cases, and path-related flaws, guaranteeing that the program functions properly in a variety of situations. Test cases might be based on user actions or system processes and are intended to cover many situations (or paths) across the functionality of the program. These test cases, which aim to confirm that the system operates as intended across several paths, are frequently developed from requirements, use cases, or user stories. It helps guarantee that every important user path and flow has been extensively evaluated from the viewpoint of the end user. can spot features that are missing, functional problems, or unresolved edge cases that other testing methods might miss. enhances the user experience by verifying that the system appropriately responds to various user inputs and circumstances.

b) Conditional testing: In white-box testing, conditional testing is concerned with evaluating the code's various conditions (such as if, else, switch, or any decision points) to make sure the system responds appropriately to varied input scenarios. Verifying sure the software follows the right paths through the program based on these conditional branches is the primary objective. In particular, conditional testing focuses on code decision points where, under specified circumstances, the execution flow may change. Usually, if, else, switch, and ternary operators have these. Depending on whether the condition evaluates to true or false, each condition may cause alternative code branches to be run. Test every branch and condition that could exist: Make sure that every potential conditional outcome—true or false—is addressed. Identify decision-making errors: Verify that all potential logical choices made by the code are handled correctly by the software. Expand the coverage of code: To guarantee that no branch or condition is left untested, make sure conditional logic is well covered.

c) Loop testing: The goal of loop testing, a subset of white-box testing, is to verify that a program's loops such as the for, while, and do-while loops—function properly under various circumstances. It is employed to confirm that loops manage any scenario that could arise, including those in which the loop runs zero, once, or more times, as well as boundary conditions. Make that loops run the right number of times in a variety of scenarios, including edge situations, by verifying their execution. Verify that the loop functions properly when the input is at or close to boundary values by testing the loop's boundaries (e.g., the loop should execute at least once or not at all).Handle Infinite Loops: Look for any potential unwanted behavior or infinite loops. Test Boundary Conditions: Examine edge cases, like loops with a maximum iteration of one or zero. Verify Loop Termination: Look for circumstances in which the loop might not end or could result in an endless loop. Verify Loop with Various Inputs: For loops that handle lists or arrays, make that the loop operates appropriately with inputs of different sizes, including empty and single-element inputs. Nested Loops: Examine every conceivable route through the code for nested loops, experimenting with various input combinations that impact the inner and outer loops. Code Path Coverage: Verify that every path—including break, continue, and exit conditions—through the loop is checked. Catches Loop- Related Bugs: Assists in identifying

problems including off-by-one mistakes, infinite loops, erroneous bounds, and loop conditions. Gets better Coverage of Code: makes certain that the code inside loops is extensively tested with varying numbers of iterations. Verifies that loops function as intended for a range of input circumstances, guaranteeing proper program logic and performance.

d) White box testing from memory point of view- From the perspective of memory, white-box testing is concerned with verifying how the program handles memory-related functions including allocation, deallocation, and utilization. This method guarantees that the application uses memory effectively and avoids issues like memory corruption, leaks, or wasteful resource usage. With white-box testing, the tester can specifically create test cases to look at how the program uses memory, making sure that variables, data structures, and memory management procedures are handled correctly because they have access to the internal code. Making sure the software runs as efficiently as possible without incurring memory-related problems is the primary goal. Memory Allocation: Confirm that the dynamic array's memory is allocated correctly by the realloc function. Adding items to the array and making sure the RAM is appropriately resized are two examples of test cases. Memory Deallocation: Use free(arr) to confirm that memory is properly released at the conclusion. Ignoring this step could result in a memory leak. Boundary Case: Make sure realloc functions as intended when the array is empty by testing with a starting array size of 0. Buffer Overflow: Verify that the application manages array boundaries appropriately by preventing memory accesses beyond the array size allotted. Memory Leak: After testing, make sure memory is appropriately released after use by using programs like Valgrind. Valgrind: A program for identifying incorrect memory access, memory corruption, and memory leaks Address Sanitizer: A quick memory error detector that can identify use-after-free faults and out-of-bounds accesses. Leak Sanitizer: A program made especially to find memory leaks in applications .During debugging, GDB (GNU Debugger) is used to watch memory and pointer values in order to detect inappropriate memory access or pointer-related problems. Manual Memory Management: Manual memory management in programming languages such as C and C++ can result in complicated and prone to errors code, making it difficult to monitor memory-related problems. Subtle Memory Leaks: It might be challenging to identify subtle memory leaks during routine test runs since they may not be noticeable until after extended execution. Dynamic Behavior: Extensive testing is required because memory usage patterns can alter dynamically based on input or system state. Multi-threaded Systems: It might be difficult to identify problems like race situations or incorrect memory access when several threads share memory.

e) White box testing from performance point of view: From a performance perspective, white-box testing is to make sure that a software program operates effectively in terms of response time and resource utilization (such as CPU, memory, and disk space). This kind of testing involves looking at how the system functions internally to make sure that any performance snags, inefficiencies, or excessive resource usage have been found and fixed. By directly examining the performance characteristics of the code, white-box testing enables testers to optimize algorithms, data structures, and execution paths since it grants them access to the internal code. approach Complexity: Because of the nested loops, the aforementioned approach has an $O(n^2)$ time complexity. To observe how performance deteriorates, a performance test should examine the function using both small and large lists. Optimization: Swap it out for a sorting algorithm that is more effective, like Quick Sort or Merge Sort, which have an $O(n \log n)$ time complexity. Profiling: As the size of the input array increases, use a profiling tool to gauge how much CPU time

the bubble sort method takes.

f) **Benchmarking:** To compare execution times for different input sizes, benchmark the old and new sorting algorithms after the function has been optimized. **Complexity of Large Systems:** It gets more difficult to identify performance problems at the code level as systems get more complicated. **Changes to various areas of the codebase** may be necessary for optimizations. **Real-World circumstances:** It can be challenging to test performance in real-world circumstances, which may not always be recreated in a test environment. Examples of these scenarios include network conditions, concurrent users, and big databases. **Maintainability and Performance:** Sometimes, readability and maintainability must be sacrificed in order to optimize code for performance. One of the main challenges is keeping performance and understandability in balance(16).

5. TEST CASES

To verify a software application's usability, performance, functionality, and other features, test cases are created. To determine whether an application feature acts as intended, a test case outlines a particular scenario that includes the inputs, anticipated outcomes, and actions to be taken. **Test cases that are functional:** These test cases verify that the product satisfies the requirements by validating its essential functionality. Example: Confirming that a user can successfully log in using the right login information. **Test cases that aren't functional:** Performance, usability, security, and other non- functional needs are the main topics of these test cases. Example: Verifying whether a page loads in less than two seconds or whether the program functions properly when loaded with a lot of data. **Test cases that are positive:** These test cases examine how the program behaves in typical or anticipated circumstances. Example: Verifying if a legitimate email address is accepted by an email signup form. **Test cases that are negative:** The purpose of these test cases is to examine how the system responds to unexpected or inaccurate inputs. Example: Examining how the system on evaluating the input values' boundary conditions, which are frequently the values that determine how the system behaves. Example: Examining how the system responds when a user types the highest value permitted in a text field. **Test cases for regression:** To make sure the new modifications don't adversely impact the functionality that already exists, these test cases are run following any modifications (such as bug fixes or additions). Example: Confirming that the login process is effective even after the addition of additional features. **Examples of Smoke Tests:** a simple collection of test cases that are run to see if the application's main features are functioning. It is frequently carried out following the deployment of a new build. Example: Confirming that basic navigation functions and that the application launches. **Examples of Sanity Tests:** These are a subset of regression tests that are used to confirm that a particular feature or bug repair functions as intended without examining the full application. Example: Confirming the resolution of a fixed issue, like a failed login. **Test cases for integration:** These test cases examine the interactions between various system modules or components. Example: Verifying that the database and login module communicate properly for user validation. **Test cases for user interfaces (UI):** These test cases verify alignment, design, and user experience elements to make sure the user interface is operating as intended. Example: Checking that all of the homepage's buttons, text fields, and links are accessible and clickable. **Test cases for user interfaces (UI):** These test cases verify alignment, design, and user experience elements to make sure the user interface is operating as intended. Example: Checking

that all of the homepage's buttons, text fields, and links are accessible and clickable. In manual testing, test cases are essential for confirming a system's overall performance, usability, and usefulness. They aid in making sure the program operates as intended and satisfies the project's specifications. An effective test case should be simple to implement and monitor throughout the testing process, with a well-defined set of processes, anticipated results, and pertinent data.

6. CURRENT TREND AND FUTURE DIRECTIONS

AI and ML are being utilized with increasing frequency in both black box and white box testing. These technologies aid in defect prediction, test case generation automation, and test execution optimization. While AI helps with code analysis and discovering vulnerabilities in white box testing, it can also help replicate real-world usage scenarios in black box testing. A major development in both types of testing is automation. Automation tools are used in black box testing to rapidly run large numbers of tests, particularly for functional and regression testing. Automated code analysis tools and continuous integration/continuous delivery (CI/CD) pipelines are frequently utilized for white box testing. DevOps methods have been a major factor in the growing popularity of the "shift left" testing methodology, which involves testing earlier in the development cycle. Black box and white box testing are carried out continuously throughout the development cycle with DevOps, providing quicker feedback loops and early fault identification. Black box and white box testing are changing in order to focus more on security testing as a result of the growing emphasis on cybersecurity. Through ethical hacking and penetration testing, black box testing simulates the actions of malicious attackers. Static and dynamic analysis tools are examples of white box testing tools that are used to look for code vulnerabilities.

7. CONCLUSION

Both black box and white box testing methods were suggested in this research. A small number of cases and examples are deemed outside the scope of this study; they are solely utilized to clearly illustrate testing methods. Although we cover nearly every testing method associated with both black box and white box in this study, there are a few restrictions. Our future effort will be to verify the usability and utility of each technique from state-of-practice. We have not validated these techniques from industrial perspectives; instead, we have only taken into consideration literature view points, or state-of-art. I conclude that black box testing is a method of testing that concentrates on the outputs produced in response to specific inputs and execution conditions while ignoring the internal mechanism or structure of a system. Black box testing is used to assess if a system satisfies predetermined functional requirements and yields the expected outcomes. Equivalence partitioning is one of the different ways to black box testing that I have discussed in my work.[15] It separates the input data into data partitions from which test cases can be generated. Analysis of boundary values: This method focuses more on testing at boundaries or the locations where the most extreme boundary values are selected. Fuzzing: This technique is used to test software for security issues as well as to identify implementation bugs. Cause-effect graph: A relationship between the causes and effects is established, and a graph is generated. Orthogonal array testing: This technique can be used to solve issues if the input domain is too big to

provide thorough testing but still manageable. All pair testing: This type of testing involves creating test cases that run every possible discrete combination of each input parameter pair. State transition testing: test cases are created to carry out both legitimate and illegitimate state transitions.

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