

# AS COMPUTER SCIENCE

Paper 1

Time allowed: 1 hour 45 minutes

#### **Materials**

For this paper you must have:

- a computer
- a printer
- appropriate software
- the Electronic Answer Document
- an electronic version and a hard copy of the Skeleton Program
- an electronic version and a hard copy of the Preliminary Material
- an electronic version of the Data Files puzzle1.txt, puzzle1P.txt and puzzle1S.txt

You must **not** use a calculator.

#### Instructions

- Type the information required on the front of your Electronic Answer Document.
- Before the start of the examination make sure your Centre Number, Candidate Name and Candidate Number are shown clearly in the footer of every page (not the front cover) of your Electronic Answer Document.
- Enter your answers into the Electronic Answer Document.
- Answer all questions.
- Save your work at regular intervals.

#### Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 75.
- No extra time is allowed for printing and collating.
- The question paper is divided into three sections.

#### Advice

You are advised to allocate time to each section as follows:

**Section A** -20 minutes; **Section B** -25 minutes; **Section C** -60 minutes.

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Tie together all your printed Electronic Answer Document pages and hand them to the Invigilator.

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#### **Section A**

You are advised to spend no more than 20 minutes on this section.

Enter your answers to **Section A** in your Electronic Answer Document. You **must save** this document at regular intervals.

Question **03** in this section asks you to write program code **starting from a new program/project/file**.

You are advised to save your program at regular intervals.

**1** The algorithm, represented using pseudo-code in **Figure 1**, describes a method to access numbers in the data structure, List, shown in **Table 1**.

#### Figure 1

```
SUBROUTINE A(S, X, Y)
  P ← -1
  WHILE P = -1 AND X \le Y
    Z \leftarrow (X + Y) DIV 2
    IF List[Z] = S THEN
       P \leftarrow Z
    ELSE
       IF List[Z] < S THEN</pre>
         X \leftarrow Z + 1
       ELSE
         Y ← Z - 1
       ENDIF
    ENDIF
  ENDWHILE
  RETURN P
ENDSUBROUTINE
```

The DIV operator calculates the whole number part resulting from an integer division, for example, 10~ DIV 3~= 3~

Complete **Table 2** by hand-tracing the algorithm in **Figure 1** when the following statement is executed.

Result 
$$\leftarrow$$
 A(38, 0, 18)

You may not need to use all the rows in **Table 2**.

The first row of **Table 2** has already been completed for you.

Table 1

List

[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]	[7]	[8]	[9]	[10]	[11]	[12]	[13]	[14]	[15]	[16]	[17]	[18]
2	8	12	18	25	29	36	42	49	51	57	61	68	71	79	83	84	91	97

Table 2

s	х	Y	P	Z	List[Z]
38	0	18	-1		
	I	Result			

Copy the contents of all the unshaded cells in **Table 2** into your Electronic Answer Document.

[5 marks]

0 2

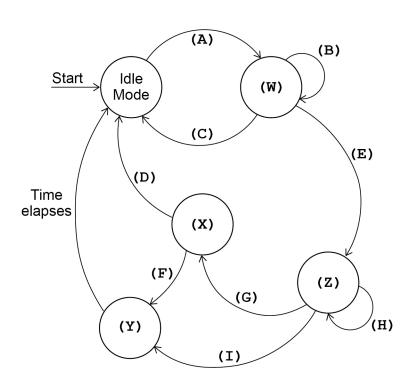
A parking meter has an Add hours button (+), an Accept button, a coin slot, a payment card reader, a Cancel button and a number keypad.

The system operates in a specific sequence:

- · the system is initially in Idle Mode
- when the user presses the + button the system goes into Select Hours Mode with the parking time set to 1 hour and the payment owed set to £1.00
  - each time the user presses the + button again, the number of hours' parking time increases by 1 and the payment owed increases by £0.50
  - when the user presses the Accept button the system goes into Payment Due Mode and the user is able to make payments using cash or a payment card
  - o the user can cancel the operation by pressing the Cancel button
- using cash:
  - each time the user inserts a coin (except the final coin), the value of it is deducted from the payment owed
  - when the final coin that completes the payment is inserted, the system goes into Paid Mode
- using a payment card:
  - when the user inserts a payment card into the card reader, the meter goes into a mode that allows the user to enter their PIN
  - o the user then enters their PIN on the keypad
  - if the PIN is correct, the system goes into Paid Mode; otherwise the system goes into Idle Mode
- the system remains in Paid Mode until the time paid for has elapsed.

Figure 2 shows a partially completed state transition diagram that represents the operation of the parking meter. Four of the states are labelled ( $\mathbf{W}$ ) to ( $\mathbf{Z}$ ) and events are labelled ( $\mathbf{A}$ ) to ( $\mathbf{I}$ ).

Figure 2



Complete **Table 3** by filling in the unshaded cells with the correct labels from **Figure 2**. You should write:

- which labels (A) to (I) represent which event(s)
- which labels (W) to (Z) represent which state.

Some of the cells in the table may need to be assigned more than one label.

Each label **must** only be used once.

Table 3

Event / State	Label(s): (A) to (I), (W) to (Z)
Card Payment Mode	
Enter correct PIN	
Enter incorrect PIN	
Insert a coin (except final coin)	
Insert final coin	
Insert payment card	
Paid Mode	
Payment Due Mode	
Press Accept	
Press Cancel	
Press + button	
Select Hours Mode	

Copy the contents of all the unshaded cells in **Table 3** into your Electronic Answer Document.

[6 marks]

**0 3** Figure 3 shows an algorithm represented using pseudo-code.

# Figure 3

```
C \leftarrow 0
D \leftarrow 0
S \leftarrow 0
T \leftarrow 0
WHILE C < 3 AND D < 3
  T \leftarrow T + 1
  N1 \leftarrow generate random integer between 1 and 6 inclusive
  N2 \leftarrow generate random integer between 1 and 6 inclusive
  OUTPUT N1, N2
  S \leftarrow S + N1 + N2
  IF N1 = 6 OR N2 = 6 THEN
     C \leftarrow C + 1
  ENDIF
  IF N1 = N2 THEN
     D \leftarrow D + 1
  ENDIF
ENDWHILE
A \leftarrow S DIV (T * 2)
OUTPUT C, D, A
```

The DIV operator calculates the whole number part resulting from an integer division, for example,  $10\ DIV\ 3=3$ 

**Table 4** lists the DIV operators for each of the available programming languages. You should refer to the row for your programming language.

Table 4

Programming language	DIV
C#	/
Java	/
Pascal	div
Python	//
VB.NET	\

# What you need to do:

# Task 1

Write a program to implement the algorithm in Figure 3.

# Task 2

Test that your program works:

• run your program.

# Evidence that you need to provide

Include the following evidence in your Electronic Answer Document.

0 3. 1 Your PROGRAM SOURCE CODE for Task 1.

[8 marks]

0 3 . 2 SCREEN CAPTURE(S) showing the test described in Task 2.

[1 mark]

[3 marks]

#### **Section B**

You are advised to spend no more than **25 minutes** on this section.

Enter your answers to **Section B** in your Electronic Answer Document. You **must save** this document at regular intervals.

These questions refer to the **Preliminary Material** and the **Skeleton Program**, but do **not** require any additional programming.

Refer either to the Preliminary Material issued with this question paper or your electronic copy.

- State the most appropriate data type to use for whole numbers. [1 mark] 4 |. State the identifier of a variable in the Skeleton Program that can only represent whole numbers. [1 mark] 5 State the identifier and data type of a variable in the Skeleton Program that can only represent two different values. [2 marks] 6 The **Skeleton Program** uses the data structure Answer. State what the second element of this data structure, Answer [1], is used for. [1 mark] 6 . Explain the purpose of the third element of this data structure, Answer[2], and how it is used.
- **0 7** The grid size of the puzzle is currently 9 and sub-grids are 3 x 3.

If the grid size were to be increased to 16, the sub-grids would be 4 x 4 and the hexadecimal digits 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 A B C D E F could be used to solve the puzzle.

Describe **two** changes that would need to be made to the subroutine DisplayGrid to enable this.

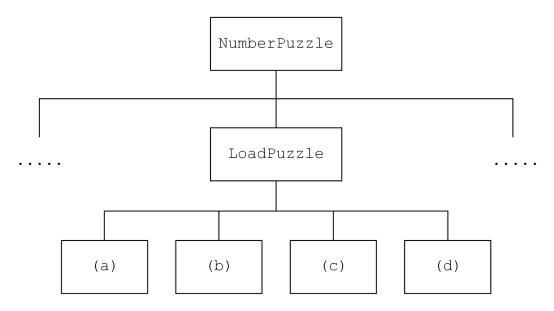
You should not make any changes to the **Skeleton Program** to answer this question. [2 marks]

0 8	Explain what is meant by decomposition.  [2 marks]
0 9.1	Explain the differences between definite and indefinite iteration.  [2 marks]
0 9.2	State the identifier of a subroutine in the <b>Skeleton Program</b> that contains <b>definite</b> iteration.  [1 mark]
0 9.3	State the identifier of a subroutine in the <b>Skeleton Program</b> that contains <b>indefinite</b> iteration.  [1 mark]
10.1	Explain what exception handling is used for.  [2 marks]
1 0 . 2	State the identifier of a subroutine in the <b>Skeleton Program</b> that performs exception handling <b>and</b> give an example of a circumstance that might cause an exception within that subroutine.  [2 marks]
11.1	What is a subroutine? [1 mark]
1 1.2	The use of subroutines promotes code re-use.  Describe, with references to subroutine(s) in the <b>Skeleton Program</b> , an example of how a subroutine has been re-used.  [1 mark]
1 1.3	Describe an advantage of re-using subroutines.  [1 mark]

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1 1.4 Figure 4 shows an incomplete hierarchy chart for part of the Skeleton Program.

Figure 4



Complete **Table 5** by writing the labels that should appear in each of the boxes (a) to (d) in **Figure 4**.

Table 5

Box	Label
(a)	
(b)	
(c)	
(d)	

Copy the contents of all the unshaded cells in **Table 5** into your Electronic Answer Document.

[2 marks]

#### **Section C**

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These questions require you to load the **Skeleton Program** and to make programming changes to it.

1 2 This question adds further validation to the **Skeleton Program**.

When a puzzle is loaded, some cells already contain numbers. These cells are referred to as protected cells.

**Figure 5** shows the numbers in the puzzle grid cells when **puzzle1** is first loaded. These are the protected cells for this puzzle.

Figure 5

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The **Skeleton Program** is to be changed so that the user cannot change the contents of any protected cells.

The subroutine SolvePuzzle needs to be modified so that the user cannot change a digit in a protected cell but can still enter a digit into an empty cell or change a digit that they have previously entered.

# What you need to do:

#### Task 1

Amend the subroutine SolvePuzzle so that it checks every cell reference entered by the user against the protected cell references in Puzzle and only allows the contents of the cell to be changed if the cell referenced by CellInfo is not a protected cell.

If a protected cell is referenced, an appropriate error message should be displayed.

#### Task 2

Test that the changes you have made work by conducting the following test:

- run your amended Skeleton Program
- enter ₽
- load puzzle1
- enter S
- enter 117
- enter 323
- enter 993
- enter 853
- enter 854

## Evidence that you need to provide

Include the following evidence in your Electronic Answer Document.

1 2 . 1 Your PROGRAM SOURCE CODE for the entire subroutine SolvePuzzle.

[7 marks]

1 2 . SCREEN CAPTURE(S) showing the requested test described in **Task 2**.

The SCREEN CAPTURE(S) need(s) to show the puzzle grid before and after the described test.

[1 mark]

1 3

This question adds further validation to the **Skeleton Program**. The subroutine SolvePuzzle asks the user to enter coordinates and a digit. The **Skeleton Program** is to be changed so that if the digit entered by the user already exists in the referenced row, column or sub-grid, the digit cannot be used.

Figure 6 shows the numbers in the puzzle grid cells of puzzle1 when first loaded.

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### What you need to do:

#### Task 1

Write a new subroutine, DuplicateDigit, which takes PuzzleGrid, Row, Column and Digit as parameters. The subroutine should return True if the digit entered by the user is already present in the row, column or sub-grid of the cell the user has entered. Otherwise, the subroutine should return False.

#### Task 2

Amend the subroutine <code>SolvePuzzle</code> so that it uses <code>DuplicateDigit</code> to check the user input and only allows the digit to be placed into the puzzle grid if the digit is not already present in the row, column or sub-grid of the cell the user has entered. If the digit is already present, an appropriate message should be given to the user.

#### Task 3

Test that the changes you have made work by conducting the following test:

- run your amended Skeleton Program
- enter ⊥
- load puzzle1
- enter S
- enter 178
- enter 819
- enter 124
- enter 989
- enter 555

# Evidence that you need to provide

Include the following evidence in your Electronic Answer Document.

1 3.1 Your PROGRAM SOURCE CODE for the entire subroutine DuplicateDigit and the entire subroutine SolvePuzzle.

[8 marks]

1 3. 2 SCREEN CAPTURE(S) showing the requested test described in Task 3.

The SCREEN CAPTURE(S) need(s) to show the puzzle grid before and after the described test.

[1 mark]

1 4 This question extends the functionality of the **Skeleton Program**.

The user is to be allowed to clear the contents of the most recently changed cells. To do this, they will enter a negative integer when prompted to enter a row, column and digit. The integer will represent the number of cells to be cleared.

For example, if the user enters -3, the three most recently entered digits should each be replaced by a space in the puzzle grid and the Answer data structure should be updated.

If the number of cells to be cleared is greater than the number of entries in the Answer data structure, all digits entered by the user should be cleared.

# What you need to do:

#### Task 1

Write a new subroutine, ClearEntries, that clears the required number of previously entered digit(s) from the puzzle grid and updates the Answer data structure as described above.

#### Task 2

Amend the subroutine <code>SolvePuzzle</code> to test user input for a negative value. If the user input is a negative integer, the subroutine should call <code>ClearEntries</code> with the necessary parameters and then re-display the puzzle grid.

#### Task 3

Test that the changes you have made work by conducting the following test:

- run your amended Skeleton Program
- enter ₽
- load puzzle1
- enter S
- enter -x
- enter -1
- enter -5

#### Evidence that you need to provide

Include the following evidence in your Electronic Answer Document.

1 4. 1 Your PROGRAM SOURCE CODE for the entire subroutine ClearEntries and the entire subroutine SolvePuzzle.

[12 marks]

1 4. 2 SCREEN CAPTURE(S) showing the requested test described in Task 3.

The SCREEN CAPTURE(S) need(s) to show the puzzle grid before and after the described test.

[1 mark]

#### **END OF QUESTIONS**

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