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Paper 1 Theory Fundamentals

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1 hour 30 minutes

You must answer on the question paper.

No additional materials are needed.

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer all questions.
- Use a black or dark blue pen.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- Do not write on any bar codes.
- You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams, graphs or rough working.
- Calculators must not be used in this paper.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 75.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].
- No marks will be awarded for using brand names of software packages or hardware.

1 (a) Draw **one** line from each image representation term to its correct definition.

Term									De	efinitio	on
Pixel							ne nur xels h		of pixe	els wid	e by the number of
Bit depth						- 1	ne sm nage	allest	identi	fiable	component of an
Image resolution	l										age file, e.g. file or pixel, file size
File header							ne nui	mber	of bits	used	I to represent each
(b) The following each colour								wide a	and 5	pixels	[3] high. In this example
	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	
	Υ	Υ	Р	Υ	Υ	Υ	Р	Υ	Υ	Υ	

R R M R Ρ Κ Τ Т R R Ρ 0 Υ Υ Υ Ρ G В R Ο Р Р R R R R R

The complete image can have up to 256 colours.

(i)	Identify the smallest number of bits that can be used to represent each colour in the complete bitmap image.
	[1]

	(ii)	Calculat your ans										oitmap	image	e shov	vn, givin	g
		Show yo	our wo	orking												
		Working	j													
		Answer					bytes								[2	2]
(c)	Des	cribe hov	w cha	nging	the co	olour c	depth (of an i	mage	affect	s its fi	le size	e.			
															[2	2]
(d)	The	first row	of pix	els in	the in	nage f	from p	art (b) is sh	own:						
			В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В				
	Ехр	lain how	this ro	ow of	pixels	can b	e com	press	ed usi	ng los	sless	comp	ressio	า.		
															[2	2]

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2	A car	has	several	features

(a)	One feature is a lane detection system. This system monitors the lines on either side of the lane. If the car gets too close to one line, the system automatically moves the car away from the line.
	Explain why the lane detection system is an example of an embedded system.
	[2]
(b)	Two other features:
	 record the number of miles travelled in the current journey, from when the engine is turned on to when it is turned off record the total number of miles the car has travelled since it was built.
	Identify the data that will be stored in the primary and secondary storage of the car for these two features.
	Primary
	Secondary
	[2]
(c)	The car has a resistive touchscreen for the user to select options.
	Tick (\checkmark) one box in each row to show whether each statement about a resistive touchscreen is true or false.

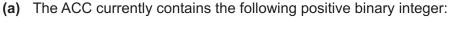
Statement	True	False
The screen always has five different layers		
A processor determines the horizontal and vertical coordinates of the point of contact		
The touchscreen will work if any object touches the screen		

[1]

3 The table shows part of the instruction set for a processor. The processor has one general purpose register, the Accumulator (ACC).

Insti	ruction	Evalenation
Opcode	Operand	Explanation
AND	#n	Bitwise AND operation of the contents of ACC with the operand
AND	<address></address>	Bitwise AND operation of the contents of ACC with the contents of <address></address>
XOR	#n	Bitwise XOR operation of the contents of ACC with the operand
XOR	<address></address>	Bitwise XOR operation of the contents of ACC with the contents of <address></address>
OR	#n	Bitwise OR operation of the contents of ACC with the operand
OR	<address></address>	Bitwise OR operation of the contents of ACC with the contents of <address></address>
<address></address>	can be an abso	olute or a symbolic address

denotes a denary number, e.g. #123



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Write the bit manipulation instruction that would change the binary integer in ACC to:

	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
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(b) The ACC currently contains the following positive binary integer:

0 1 1	0 0	1	0	1
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Write the bit manipulation instruction that would change the binary integer in ACC to:

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Opcode Operand

[2]

(c)	Convert the following positive binary integer into hexadecimal.
	0111110
	[1]
(d)	A three-place logical shift to the left is performed on the following positive binary integer.
	Show the result of this logical shift.
	0111110
	[1]
(e)	Convert the denary numbers 127 and 12 to 8-bit binary and then perform the subtraction 12 – 127 in binary.
	Show your working.
	127 in binary
	12 in binary
	12 – 127 in binary
	[3]

A SC	chool stores persona	il data about its stair and students on its computer syst	em.		
(a)	Explain why the school needs to keep both its data and its computer system secure from unauthorised access.				
	Data				
	Computer system				
(b)	[2] Complete the table by identifying two security threats to the data on a computer.				
	Describe each thre	at.			
	Give a different pre	vention method for each threat.			
	Threat	Description	Prevention method		
			[6]		
(c)	the internet.	vhen it is transmitted within the school network, or exte	ernally such as over		
Describe what is meant by encryption and explain why it is used.					

5 A database, FILMS, stores information about films and actors.

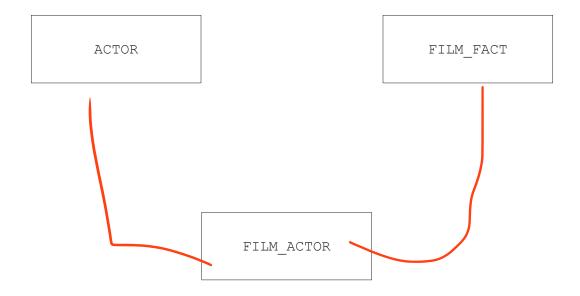
Part of the database is shown:

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ACTOR(ActorID, FirstName, LastName, DateOfBirth)

FILM_FACT(FilmID, FilmTitle, ReleaseDate, Category)

#ILM_ACTOR(ActorID, FilmID)
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(a) Complete the entity relationship (E-R) diagram.



(b) A composite primary key consists of two or more attributes that together form the primary key.

Explain why the table FILM_ACTOR has a composite primary key.

[2]

(c)	Complete the SQL script to return the IDs of all the actors in the film with the title Cinderella.
	SELECT
	FROM FILM_ACTOR
	INNER JOIN
	ON FILM_FACT.FilmID =
	WHERE FILM_FACT.FilmTitle =; [4]
(d)	Write an SQL script to count the number of films that were released in January 2022.
	[3]

(e) A Database Management System (DBMS) is used to create and manipulate the database.

Complete the descriptions of the features and tools found in a DBMS using the given terms.

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Boolean	data dictionary	data redundancy	field names
input	interface	logical schema	normalisation
operating system	output	primary keys	query
structure			

[6]

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A pı	rogrammer uses language translators when writing and testing a program.	
(a)	Describe the operation of a compiler.	
		. [2]
(b)	Describe the operation of an interpreter.	
(c)	Explain how a programmer can make use of a typical Integrated Development Environm (IDE) when writing and testing a program.	nent
	Writing	
	Testing	
		[4]

7 Complete the truth table for the following logic expression:

X = (A XOR B) AND NOT C

A	В	С	Working space	х
0	0	0		
0	0	1		
0	1	0		
0	1	1		
1	0	0		
1	0	1		
1	1	0		
1	1	1		

[2]

8	Describe one application of Artificial Intelligence (AI).	
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9 (a) The following incomplete table contains four network devices and their descriptions.

Complete the table by writing the missing devices and missing descriptions.

Device	Description
	Receives and sends data between two networks operating on the same protocol
Wireless Network Interface Card (WNIC)	
	Restores the digital signal so it can be transmitted over greater distances
Wireless Access Point (WAP)	
	[4]
Describe three diffe	erences between fibre-optic cables and copper cables.

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1
2
3
[3]

(b)

		Γ4:
	Describe CSMA/CD.	
c)	Ethernet uses Carrier Sense Multiple Access/Collision Detection (CSMA/CD).	

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