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COMPUTER SCIENCE

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Paper 2 Problem-solving and Programming

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1 hour 45 minutes

You must answer on the question paper.

No additional materials are needed.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- Answer all questions.
- **Do not attempt Tasks 1, 2 and 3** in the copy of the pre-release material on page 2; these are for information only.
- Use a black or dark blue pen. You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.
- 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.
- Calculators must not be used in this paper.

### **INFORMATION**

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- 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.

This document has 16 pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

#### Section A

You are advised to spend no longer than 40 minutes answering this section.

Here is a copy of the pre-release material.

DO NOT attempt Tasks 1, 2 and 3 now.

Use the pre-release material and your experience from attempting the following tasks before the examination to answer Question 1.

#### Pre-release material

A holiday park has eight squash courts that can be booked for an hour at a time. The first booking is from 08:00 to 09:00 and the last booking is from 17:00 to 18:00. All bookings start on the hour and bookings can only be made on the same day that the squash court is used. A screen displays today's date and how many squash courts are available for each hour.

When a booking is made, the name of the guest is recorded together with their mobile phone number. Once the squash court is booked, the guest is shown the court number together with a unique 4-digit code that can be used to unlock the squash court. Each booking is for one squash court for one hour. The 4-digit code must be different for each booking.

Write and test a program or programs for a computer system to manage the daily squash court bookings.

- Your program or programs must include appropriate prompts for the entry of data; data must be validated on entry.
- Error messages and other output need to be set out clearly and understandably.
- All variables, constants and other identifiers must have meaningful names.

You will need to complete these three tasks. Each task must be fully tested.

### **Task 1** – at the start of the day

Write a program to set up arrays to record the following for each hour:

- whether a squash court is booked or available
- the name of the guest
- the mobile phone number of the guest
- the unique 4-digit code for the booking.

Set up a screen to display the court availability at the start of the day.

#### Task 2 – making a squash court booking

Check if there is a squash court available at the time requested. If a squash court is available, record the guest's name and mobile phone number. Mark the squash court as booked for that hour. Generate and record the unique 4-digit code for the booking. Display the mobile phone number for the guest to check, display the court number and the 4-digit code for the guest to remember. Display the updated court availability, showing an hour as fully booked if all the squash courts are now booked for that hour.

### Task 3 – at the end of the day

Calculate the total number of squash court bookings. Find the hour(s) and court(s) with the most bookings. Display this information.

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All ۱	variables, constants and other identifiers must have meaningful names.	
(a)	Identify <b>one</b> constant that you could have used for <b>Task 1</b> . Give the value that would assigned to this constant. State the use of this constant.	d be
	Constant	
	Value	
	Use	
		[3]
(b)	Describe the arrays that you have set up in <b>Task 1</b> to record today's data about the squ courts.	ıash
(c)	Explain how your program generates a unique 4-digit code for each booking.	
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(e)	Explain how your program completed the part of <b>Task 3</b> which calculates the total number of squash court bookings, finds the court(s) with the most bookings and displays this information. Include any programming statements that you have used and fully explain the purpose of each statement.
	[4]

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### **Section B**

2 An algorithm has been written in pseudocode to generate 50 positive random integers with values less than or equal to 100. These random integers are stored in the array RandNum[ ]

The function Rand(X, Y) generates a random integer greater than or equal to X and less than Y. For example, Rand(1, 4) generates 1 or 2 or 3.

```
1 Count ← 0
2 REPEAT
3 RandNum[Counter] ← Rand(1, 100)
4 Count ← Count + 2
5 UNTIL Count <= 50</pre>
```

(a) Find the four errors in the pseudocode and write a correction for each error.

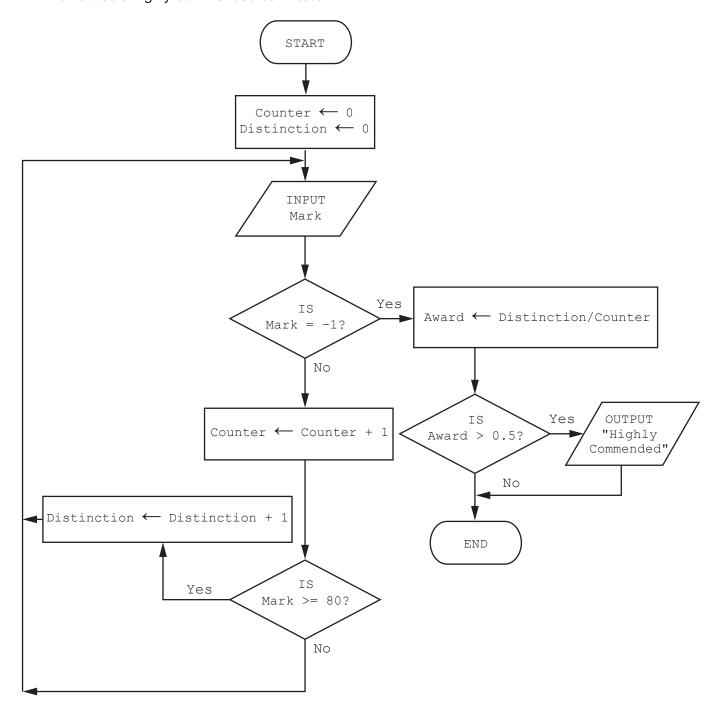
Error 1
Correction
Error 2
Correction
Error 3
Correction
Error 4
Correction

	(b)	The pseudocode for this algorithm could be shortened by the use of a FOR NEXT loop.								
		Rev	vrite the algorithm using a FOR NEXT loop.							
			[3]							
	(c)	ldei	ntify another loop structure available in pseudocode.							
			[1]							
3	-	_	nm has been written to check the value of a measurement. The measurement must be a number and given to three decimal places, for example, 3.982							
	(a)	(i)	State suitable examples of normal and erroneous test data that could be used to test this program. For each example give the reason for your choice of test data.							
			Normal test data example							
			Reason							
			Erroneous test data example							
			Reason							
			[4]							
		(ii)	Explain why two pieces of boundary test data are required for this program. Give an example of each piece of boundary test data.							
			[3]							

b)	Explain why verification is needed and how verification could be performed by this progra	m.
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Question 4 starts on Page 12

4 The algorithm shown by this flowchart allows the input of examination marks for a class of students. A mark of -1 ends the process. If a mark is 80 or over then a distinction grade is awarded. The number of distinctions for the whole class is calculated. If this is over 50% of the class, the class is awarded a highly commended certificate.



Complete a trace table for the algorithm using this input data: 88, 74, 60, 90, 84, 87, 95, 72, 84, 66, -1

Counter	Distinction	Mark	Award	OUTPUT

[5]

5 A database table, APPLIANCE, is used to keep a record of kitchen appliances available for sale.

The following data is stored for each appliance:

- CATEGORY washer, dishwasher, fridge or freezer
- ECONOMYRATING A, B, C or D
- MANUFACTURER Baku or ABC
- PRICE price in \$
- CODE a unique code allocated by the manufacturer e.g. B982

Number

STOCK – number in stock.

The database management system uses these data types:

Text

The	ECONOMYRATING field and MANUFACTURER field have a data type of text.
(a)	Identify the most appropriate data type for each field from the <b>four</b> types shown. State the reason why you chose each data type.
	CATEGORY data type
	Reason
	PRICE data type
	Reason
	CODE data type
	Reason
	STOCK data type
	Reason

Currency

Boolean

[4]

**(b)** Complete the query-by-example grid to display only the category, manufacturer and code of the appliances with an economy rating of A.

Field:		
Table:		
Sort:		
Show:		
Criteria:		
or:		

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#### **GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 1:**

Marks must be awarded in line with:

- the specific content of the mark scheme or the generic level descriptors for the question
- the specific skills defined in the mark scheme or in the generic level descriptors for the question
- the standard of response required by a candidate as exemplified by the standardisation scripts.

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- marks are awarded for correct/valid answers, as defined in the mark scheme. However, credit is given for valid answers which go beyond the scope of the syllabus and mark scheme, referring to your Team Leader as appropriate
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- marks are not deducted for errors
- marks are not deducted for omissions
- answers should only be judged on the quality of spelling, punctuation and grammar when these features are specifically assessed by the question as indicated by the mark scheme. The meaning, however, should be unambiguous.

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### GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 6:

Marks awarded are based solely on the requirements as defined in the mark scheme. Marks should not be awarded with grade thresholds or grade descriptors in mind.

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Question	Answer						
Section A							
1(a)	Constant NoCourts // NoSessions // NoBookingSlots Value 8 // 10 // 80 Use Storing the number of courts / sessions available / times and courts available for booking	3					
1(b)	Any <b>four</b> from:						
	Any three from MP1 Identifier / name of array used MP2 Description of purpose of an identified array MP3 Length of an identified array used MP4 Type of data in an identified array MP5 Explanation of number of arrays used, must be capable of storing all data required MP6 Sample data for an identified array						
	One mark MP7 Identifying more than one array						
	E.g.4 arrays of ten elements for each squash court, for example for squash court 1 Availability1 of type Boolean, Guest1, Mobile1 and Code1 all type string						
1(c)	Any three from:						
	MP1 Setting the first code number MP2 How to find subsequent code numbers MP3 How to ensure they were unique MP4 How to ensure they were exactly 4 digits						

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Question	Any six from: MP1 Input time MP2 with prompt MP3 Check each court MP4 If court not booked MP5 set as booked MP6 Input name, mobile number MP7 Calculate unique 4-digit code MP8 Store name, mobile number and 4-digit code with suitable message MP10 Change mobile number if necessary							
1(d)								
	<pre>Sample OUTPUT ("Which time do you want to book a squash court") INPUT BookTime Booked ← FALSE CourtNumber ← 0 IF BookTime &gt;= 8 AND BookTime &lt;= 17    THEN    BookTime ← BookTime - 7    IF Available1[BookTime] THEN Available1[BookTime] ← FALSE; CourtNumber ← 1; Booked ← TRUE ENDIF    IF NOT Booked AND Available2[BookTime] THEN Available2[BookTime] ← FALSE; CourtNumber</pre>							
	<pre> ← 2; Booked ← TRUE ENDIF     IF NOT Booked AND Available3[BookTime] THEN Available3[BookTime] ← FALSE; CourtNumber  ← 3; Booked ← TRUE ENDIF     IF NOT Booked AND Available4[BookTime] THEN Available4[BookTime] ← FALSE; CourtNumber  ← 4; Booked ← TRUE ENDIF     IF NOT Booked AND Available5[BookTime] THEN Available5[BookTime] ← FALSE; CourtNumber  ← 5; Booked ← TRUE ENDIF     IF NOT Booked AND Available6[BookTime] THEN Available6[BookTime] ← FALSE; CourtNumber  ← 6; Booked ← TRUE ENDIF     IF NOT Booked AND Available7[BookTime] THEN Available7[BookTime] ← FALSE; CourtNumber  FALSE; CourtNumber</pre>							

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Question	Answer								
Question 1(d)									
	ENDWHILE  CASE CourtNumber OF  1 : Guest1[BookTime]								

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Question	Answer	Marks
1(e)	Explanation Any <b>four</b> from MP1 How the program totalled the number of bookings MP2 How the program displayed the total number of bookings MP3 How the program calculated the number of times each court was booked MP4 How the program selected the highest value for times a court was booked MP5 How the program displayed the court that was most booked  Programming statements must be included and must be explained.	4

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Question	Answer	Marks
Section B		
2(a)	Line 1 should be Counter ← 0  Line 3 RandNum[Counter] ← Rand(1, 100) should be RandNum[Counter] ← Rand(1, 101)  Line 4 Counter ← Counter + 2 should be Counter ← Counter + 1  Line 5 UNTIL Count <= 50 should be UNTIL Counter >= 50 // UNTIL Counter = 50  1 Counter ← 0	4
	<pre>2 REPEAT 3 RandNum[Counter]   ← Rand(1, 100) 4 Counter  ← Counter + 1 5 UNTIL Counter &gt;= 50 Or</pre>	
	Line 3 RandNum[Counter] should be RandNum[Count] Line 3 Rand(1, 100) should be Rand(1, 101) Line 4 Counter  — Counter + 2 should be Count  — Count + 1 Line 5 UNTIL Count <= 50 should be UNTIL Count >= 50 // UNTIL Count = 50	
	<pre>1  Count ← 0 2  REPEAT 3  RandNum[Count] ← Rand(1, 100) 4  Count ← Count + 1 5  UNTIL Count &gt;= 50</pre>	
2(b)	One mark for each correct line  FOR Count ← 0 TO 49 // FOR Count ← 1 TO 50  RandNum[Count] ← Rand(1, 101) / Rand(0, 101)  NEXT // NEXT Count	3
2(c)	Precondition loop // WHILE DO ENDWHILE	1

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Question	Answer	Marks
3(a)(i)	one mark for sample, one mark for reason max four  Normal Sample any positive value with three decimal places e.g. 5.682  Reason to test that normal data is accepted and processed correctly  Erroneous Sample any value that would be rejected e.g. 5.6 or -1.345 or seven to test that erroneous data is rejected	4
3(a)(ii)	Reason to test that 0.000 / -0.001 / highest possible non-positive is rejected and 0.001 / 0.000 / lowest positive number is accepted  Sample 1 0.000 Sample 2 0.001	3
3(b)	One mark To check that values are entered as intended // to prevent incorrect values that meet the validation criteria being accepted  Two marks Asking the user to enter the value twice and comparing the values // double entry (1) only accepting a value if both entries are identical (1)  or  Displaying the value as it is entered (1) so the user can put right errors have been made as the value was entered (1)	3

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Question	Answer						
4	One mark for each correct column						
	Counter	Distinction	Mark	Award	OUTPUT		
	0	0					
	1	1	88				
	2		74				
	3		60				
	4	2	90				
	5	3	84				
	6	4	87				
	7	5	95				
	8		72				
	9	6	84				
	10		66				
			-1	0.6	Highly Commended		

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Question	Answer								
5(a)	PRICE - CODE -	CATEGORY – Text characters / words only used PRICE – Currency, the price is in dollars / money CODE – Text no calculations required, could be numbers or characters STOCK – Number, comparisons and calculations may be required							
5(b)	One mark for correct rows Field and Table One mark for correct Show row One mark for correct Criteria row								
	Field:	CATEGORY	MANUFACTURER	CODE	ECONOMYRATING				
	Table:	APPLIANCE	APPLIANCE	APPLIANCE	APPLIANCE				
	Sort:								
	Show:	Ø	$\square$	Ø					
	Criteri a:				="A"				
	or:								

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