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COMPUTER SCIENCE **9618/23**

Paper 2 Fundamental Problem-solving and Programming Skills **May/June 2021**

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Note: An error occurs if a function call is not properly formed, or if the parameters are incorrect.

STRING Functions

```
LEFT(ThisString : STRING, x : INTEGER) RETURNS STRING
```
returns leftmost x characters from ThisString

Example: `LEFT("ABCDEFGH", 3)` returns `"ABC"`

```
RIGHT(ThisString : STRING, x : INTEGER) RETURNS STRING
```
returns rightmost x characters from ThisString

Example: `RIGHT("ABCDEFGH", 3)` returns `"FGH"`

```
MID(ThisString : STRING, x : INTEGER, y : INTEGER) RETURNS STRING
```
returns a string of length y starting at position x from ThisString

Example: `MID("ABCDEFGH", 2, 3)` returns `"BCD"`

```
LENGTH(ThisString : STRING) RETURNS INTEGER
```
returns the integer value representing the length of ThisString

Example: `LENGTH("Happy Days")` returns 10

```
LCASE(ThisChar : CHAR) RETURNS CHAR
```
returns the character value representing the lower case equivalent of ThisChar
Characters that are not upper case alphabetic are returned unchanged

Example: `LCASE('W')` returns `'w'`

```
UCASE(ThisChar : CHAR) RETURNS CHAR
```
returns the character value representing the upper case equivalent of ThisChar
Characters that are not lower case alphabetic are returned unchanged

Example: `UCASE('a')` returns `'A'`

```
TO_UPPER(ThisString : STRING) RETURNS STRING
```
returns a string formed by converting all characters of ThisString to upper case

Example: `TO_UPPER("Error 803")` returns `"ERROR 803"`

```
TO_LOWER(ThisString : STRING) RETURNS STRING
```
returns a string formed by converting all characters of ThisString to lower case

Example: `TO_LOWER("JIM 803")` returns `"jim 803"`

```
NUM_TO_STR(x : <data type>) RETURNS STRING
```
returns a string representation of a numeric value
Note: <data type> may be REAL or INTEGER

Example: `NUM_TO_STR(87.5)` returns `"87.5"`

```
STR_TO_NUM(x : <data type1>) RETURNS <data type2>
```
returns a numeric representation of a string
Note: `<data type1>` may be `CHAR` or `STRING`
Note: `<data type2>` may be `REAL` or `INTEGER`

Example: `STR_TO_NUM("23.45")` returns `23.45`

```
IS_NUM(ThisString : STRING) RETURNS BOOLEAN
```
returns the value `TRUE` if `ThisString` represents a valid numeric value
Note: `<data type>` may be `CHAR` or `STRING`

Example: `IS_NUM("12.36")` returns `TRUE`
Example: `IS_NUM("-12.36")` returns `TRUE`
Example: `IS_NUM("12.3a")` returns `FALSE`

```
ASC(ThisChar : CHAR) RETURNS INTEGER
```
returns an integer value (the ASCII value) of `ThisChar`

Example: `ASC('A')` returns `65`

```
CHR(x : INTEGER) RETURNS CHAR
```
returns the character whose integer value (the ASCII value) is `x`

Example: `CHR(87)` returns `'W'`

NUMERIC Functions

```
INT(x : REAL) RETURNS INTEGER
```
returns the integer part of `x`

Example: `INT(27.5415)` returns `27`

```
RAND(x : INTEGER) RETURNS REAL
```
returns a real number in the range `0` to `x` (**not** inclusive of `x`)

Example: `RAND(87)` could return `35.43`

DATE Functions

Note: Date format is assumed to be DDMMYYYY unless otherwise stated.

```
DAY(ThisDate : DATE) RETURNS INTEGER
```
returns the current day number from `ThisDate`

Example: `DAY(4/10/2003)` returns `4`

```
MONTH(ThisDate : DATE) RETURNS INTEGER
```
returns the current month number from `ThisDate`

Example: `MONTH(4/10/2003)` returns `10`

```
YEAR(ThisDate : DATE) RETURNS INTEGER
```
returns the current year number from `ThisDate`

Example: `YEAR(4/10/2003)` returns `2003`

```
DAYINDEX(ThisDate : DATE) RETURNS INTEGER
```
returns the current day index number from `ThisDate` where Sunday = 1, Monday = 2, Tuesday = 3 etc.

Example: `DAYINDEX(12/05/2020)` returns `3`

```
SETDATE(Day, Month, Year : INTEGER) RETURNS DATE
```
returns a variable of type `DATE`

```
NOW() RETURNS DATE
```
returns the current date

OTHER Functions

```
EOF(FileName : STRING) RETURNS BOOLEAN
```
returns `TRUE` if there are no more lines to be read from file `FileName`

Note: This function will generate an ERROR if the file is not already open in `READ` mode

OPERATORS

&	Concatenates (joins) two strings Example: `"Summer" & " " & "Pudding"` evaluates to `"Summer Pudding"` Note: This operator may also be used to concatenate a character with a string
AND	Performs a logical `AND` on two Boolean values Example: `TRUE AND FALSE` evaluates to `FALSE`
OR	Performs a logical `OR` on two Boolean values Example: `TRUE OR FALSE` evaluates to `TRUE`
NOT	Performs a logical `NOT` on a Boolean value Example: `NOT TRUE` evaluates to `FALSE`
MOD	Finds the remainder when one number is divided by another Example: `10 MOD 3` evaluates to `1`
DIV	Finds the quotient when one number is divided by another Example `10 DIV 3` evaluates to `3`

Note: An error is generated if an operator is used with a value or values of an incorrect type.

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1 Raj owns houses that other people rent from him. He has a database that stores details about the people who rent houses, and the houses they rent. The database, HOUSE_RENTALS, has the following structure:

CUSTOMER(CustomerID, FirstName, LastName, DateOfBirth, Email)

HOUSE(HouseID, HouseNumber, Road, Town, Bedrooms, Bathrooms)

RENTAL(RentalID, CustomerID, HouseID, MonthlyCost, DepositPaid)

(a) Give the definition of the following database terms, using an example from the database HOUSE_RENTALS for each definition.

Term	Definition and example
Field	....
Entity	....
Foreign key	....

[6]

(b) Tick (✓) **one** box to identify whether the database HOUSE_RENTALS is in Third Normal Form (3NF) or not in 3NF.
Justify your choice using one or more examples from the database HOUSE_RENTALS.

In 3NF	
Not in 3NF	

Justification ....

....

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.... [2]

(c) Example data from the table RENTAL are given:

RentalID	CustomerID	HouseID	MonthlyCost	DepositPaid
1	22	15B5L	1000.00	Yes
2	13	3F	687.00	No
3	1	12AB	550.00	Yes
4	3	37	444.50	Yes

(i) Complete the following Data Definition Language (DDL) statement to define the table RENTAL.

CREATE .... (

      RentalID INTEGER NOT NULL,

      CustomerID INTEGER NOT NULL,

      HouseID .... (5) NOT NULL,

      MonthlyCost .... NOT NULL,

      DepositPaid BOOLEAN NOT NULL,

      .... (RentalID)

);

[4]

(ii) Write a Data Manipulation Language (DML) script to return the first name and last name of all customers who have **not** paid their deposit.

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.... [4]

2 Aisha manages a team of software developers.

(a) Explain the reasons why it is important that Aisha acts ethically in relation to her team members.

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.... [2]

(b) The team are developing a computer game where the user plays a board game (such as chess) against the computer.

Describe how the computer would use Artificial Intelligence (AI) to play the board game.

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.... [3]

(c) The final game will be released under a licence.

Tick (✓) **one or more** boxes in each row to identify the licence(s) each statement describes.

Statement	Free Software Foundation	Open Source Initiative	Shareware	Commercial Software
The user can edit the source code				
The user **must** always pay before being able to use the software				
The user can redistribute the software				
The user always gets a trial period				

[4]

3 A logic expression is given:

$$S = (A \text{ AND } B \text{ AND } C) \text{ OR } (B \text{ XOR } C)$$

(a) Draw the logic circuit for the given expression.

A —

B — S

C —
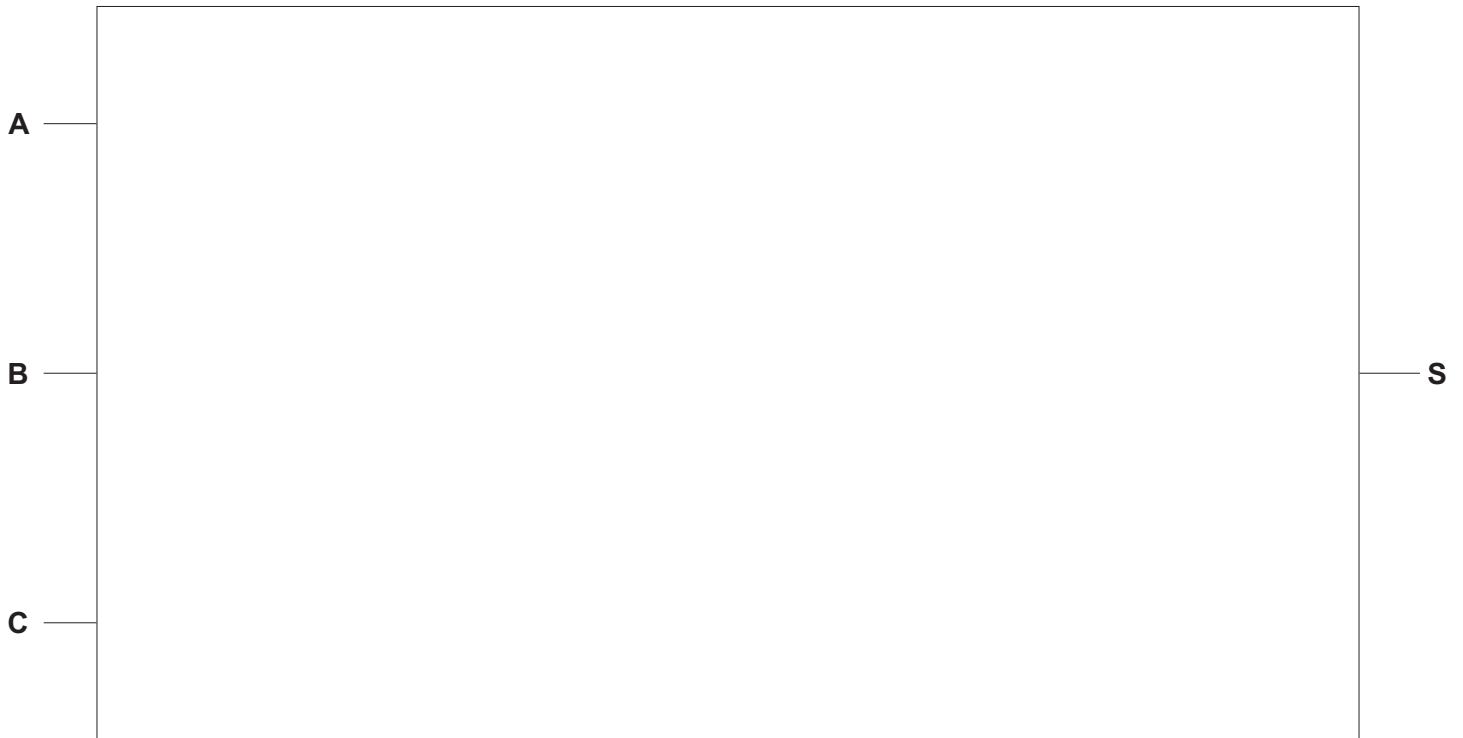
[4]

(b) Complete the truth table for the logic expression:

$$S = (A \text{ AND } B \text{ AND } C) \text{ OR } (B \text{ XOR } C)$$

A	B	C	Working space	S
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]

4   The table shows part of the instruction set for a processor. The processor has one general purpose register, the Accumulator (ACC), and an Index Register (IX).

Instruction		Explanation
Opcode	**Operand**	**Explanation**
LDM	#n	Immediate addressing. Load the number n to ACC
LDD	<address>	Direct addressing. Load the contents of the location at the given address to ACC
STO	<address>	Store contents of ACC at the given address
ADD	<address>	Add the contents of the given address to the ACC
INC	<register>	Add 1 to the contents of the register (ACC or IX)
DEC	<register>	Subtract 1 from the contents of the register (ACC or IX)
CMP	<address>	Compare the contents of ACC with the contents of <address>
JPE	<address>	Following a compare instruction, jump to <address> if the compare was True
JPN	<address>	Following a compare instruction, jump to <address> if the compare was False
JMP	<address>	Jump to the given address
IN		Key in a character and store its ASCII value in ACC
OUT		Output to the screen the character whose ASCII value is stored in ACC
END		Return control to the operating system
# denotes a denary number, e.g. #123		

The current contents of the main memory and selected values from the ASCII character set are:

Address   Instruction

Address	Instruction
70	IN
71	CMP 100
72	JPE 80
73	CMP 101
74	JPE 76
75	JMP 80
76	LDD 102
77	INC ACC
78	STO 102
79	JMP 70
80	LDD 102
81	DEC ACC
82	STO 102
83	JMP 70
...	
100	68
101	65
102	100

ASCII code table (selected codes only)

ASCII code	Character
65	A
66	B
67	C
68	D

(a) Complete the trace table for the program currently in main memory when the following characters are input:

    A D

Do not trace the program any further when the third input is required.

Instruction address	ACC	Memory address		
		100	101	102
		68	65	100

[4]

(b) Some bit manipulation instructions are shown in the table:

Instruction		Explanation
Opcode	Operand	
AND	#n	Bitwise AND operation of the contents of ACC with the operand
AND	<address>	Bitwise AND operation of the contents of ACC with the contents of <address>
XOR	#n	Bitwise XOR operation of the contents of ACC with the operand
XOR	<address>	Bitwise XOR operation of the contents of ACC with the contents of <address>
OR	#n	Bitwise OR operation of the contents of ACC with the operand
OR	<address>	Bitwise OR operation of the contents of ACC with the contents of <address>

<address> can be an absolute address or a symbolic address
# denotes a denary number, e.g. #123

The contents of the memory address 300 are shown:

Bit Number	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
300	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0

(i) The contents of memory address 300 represent an unsigned binary integer.

Write the denary value of the unsigned binary integer in memory address 300.

.... [1]

(ii) An assembly language program needs to test if bit number 2 in memory address 300 is a 1.

Complete the assembly language instruction to perform this test.

.... #4

[1]

(iii) An assembly language program needs to set bit numbers 4, 5, 6 and 7 to 0, but keep bits 0 to 3 with their existing values.

Write the assembly language instruction to perform this action.

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.... [2]

5 Seth uses a computer for work.

(a) Complete the following descriptions of internal components of a computer by writing the missing terms.

The .... transmits the signals to coordinate events based

on the electronic pulses of the ....

The .... carries data to the components, while the

.... carries the address where data needs to be written to

or read from.

The .... performs mathematical operations and

logical comparisons.

[5]

(b) Describe the ways in which the following factors can affect the performance of his laptop computer.

Number of cores

....

....

....

....

Clock speed

....

....

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[4]

(c) Seth accesses both software and data using cloud computing.

    (i) Give **two** benefits of storing data using cloud computing.

        1 ....

        ....

        2 ....

        ....
                                         [2]

    (ii) Give **two** drawbacks of Seth using cloud computing.

        1 ....

        ....

        2 ....

        ....
                                         [2]

(d) Draw **one** line from each term to its **most appropriate** description.

Term   **Description**

| It is only visible to devices within the Local Area Network (LAN) |

Public IP address

| It increments by 1 each time the device connects to the internet |

Private IP address

| A new one is reallocated each time a device connects to the internet |

Dynamic IP address

| It can only be allocated to a router |

Static IP address

| It is visible to any device on the internet |

| It does not change each time a device connects to the internet |

[4]

6 A computer uses the ASCII character set.

(a) State the number of characters that can be represented by the ASCII character set and the extended ASCII character set.

ASCII ....

Extended ASCII ....

[2]

(b) Explain how a word such as 'HOUSE' is represented by the ASCII character set.

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.... [2]

(c) Unicode is a different character set.

The Unicode value for the character '1' is denary value 49.

(i) Write the hexadecimal value for the Unicode character '1'.

.... [1]

(ii) Write the denary value for the Unicode character '5'.

.... [1]

7 Jennifer is writing a computer program for her A Level homework.

(a) Jennifer uses a program library to help her write her computer program.

Describe how a program library can be used while writing a computer program.

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.... [2]

(b) Jennifer uses an Integrated Development Environment (IDE) to write her computer program.

(i) The IDE allows Jennifer to use both an interpreter and a compiler while creating her computer program.

Describe the ways in which Jennifer can use **both** a compiler **and** an interpreter while developing the program.

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.... [4]

(ii) Identify **two** debugging tools that a typical IDE can provide.

1 ....

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2 ....

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[2]

8 A company has several security measures in place to prevent unauthorised access to the data on its computers.

(a) Describe the difference between the security and privacy of data.

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....

.... [2]

(b) Each employee has a username and password to allow them to log onto a computer. An employee's access rights to the data on the computers is set to either read-only, or read and write.

Identify **one** other software-based measure that could be used to restrict the access to the data on the computers.

....

.... [1]

(c) The company is also concerned about threats posed by networks and the internet.

Identify **two** threats to the data that are posed by networks and the internet.

Threat 1 ....

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Threat 2 ....

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[2]

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1 An image can be either a bitmap image or a vector graphic.

(a) Vector graphics are made up of drawing objects and their properties.

(i) State what is meant by a **drawing object**.

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.... [1]

(ii) Identify **four** properties of a **drawing object**.

1 ....

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2 ....

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3 ....

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4 ....

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[4]

(b) Identify **three** items that are stored in a **bitmap** file header.

1 ....

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2 ....

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3 ....

....
[3]

(c) A bitmap image needs to be compressed before it can be sent by email.

Describe **one** lossy and **one** lossless method of compressing the image.

Lossy ....

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....

....

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Lossless ....

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....

[4]

2 Joanne wants to record sound files and videos for uploading to a social media website.

(a) The following table contains terms about sound representation and encoding.

Complete the table by writing the definitions for each term.

Term	Definition
Sampling	....
Sampling resolution	....
Sampling rate	....

[3]

(b) Joanne records a short video using interlaced encoding.

Describe what is meant by **interlaced encoding**.

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.... [2]

3 Server-side scripting is used to access a company database over the Internet.

Steps 1 to 6 describe the sequence of events.

Four of the statements **A**, **B**, **C**, **D**, **E** and **F** are used to complete the sequence.

Letter	Statement
A	The web server processes the PHP code.
B	The server renders the HTML code and displays the web page.
C	The browser renders the HTML code and displays the web page.
D	The web server returns the (HTML) web page to the client web browser.
E	The web server accesses the page from its hard disk.
F	The web browser processes the PHP code.

Write **one** of the letters **A** to **F** in each appropriate row to complete the sequence.

1. The browser requests the web page from the web server.

2. ....

3. ....

4. The web server produces the HTML code for the web page.

5. ....

6. ....

[4]

4 Oliver needs to increase the secondary storage on his computer. He already has several hard disks.

(a) Identify **two other** secondary storage devices that Oliver could use. Each device must be different.

1 ....

2 ....

[2]

(b) Oliver needs a scanner to make digital copies of some paper documents.

Describe the basic internal operation of a scanner.

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.... [4]

(c) Oliver wants to upgrade the RAM in his computer. He is not sure whether his computer has Static RAM (SRAM) or Dynamic RAM (DRAM).

Draw **one or more** lines from each type of RAM to its appropriate description(s).

Type of RAM

Description

	Is less expensive to manufacture
SRAM	Needs to be refreshed
	Has more complex circuitry
DRAM	Is often used as cache
	Has faster access time

[2]

5 Complete the truth table for the following logic expression:

$$X = \text{NOT}(A \text{ OR } B) \text{ AND NOT}(\text{NOT}(B \text{ OR } C) \text{ AND } (\text{NOT } A))$$

A	B	C	Working space	X
0	0	0		0
0	0	1		1
0	1	0		0
0	1	1		0
1	0	0		0
1	0	1		0
1	1	0		0
1	1	1		0

[4]

6 (a) Complete the following sentences that describe parts of a processor in a Von Neumann model for a computer system.

There are .... buses that transfer data between components in a computer system.

The width of the .... determines the number of directly accessible memory locations.

The .... sends signals on the .... to direct the operation of system components.

.... pulses are used to synchronise the components on the motherboard.
[5]

(b) Describe the stages of the fetch-execute (F-E) cycle.

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.... [5]

7 **(a)** A computer has an operating system (OS).

   (i) State **three** memory management tasks performed by the OS.

   1 ....

   ....

   2 ....

   ....

   3 ....

   ....
   [3]

   (ii) State **two** input/output device management tasks performed by the OS.

   1 ....

   ....

   2 ....

   ....
   [2]

(b) Utility programs are also provided with the OS.

   Identify **and** describe **two** different utility programs.

   Utility program ....

   Description ....

   ....

   Utility program ....

   Description ....

   ....
   [4]

(c) Some operating systems include library programs.

State **three** benefits to a programmer of using library programs.

1 ....

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2 ....

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3 ....

....

[3]

8   The following table shows part of the instruction set for a processor. The processor has one general purpose register, the Accumulator (ACC), and an Index Register (IX).

Instruction		Explanation
Op code	Operand	
LDD	<address>	Direct addressing. Load the contents of the location at the given address to the ACC
LDI	<address>	Indirect addressing. The address to be used is at the given address. Load the contents of this second address to the ACC
STO	<address>	Store the contents of the ACC at the given address
ADD	<address>	Add the contents of the given address to the ACC
INC	<register>	Add 1 to the contents of the register (ACC or IX)
JMP	<address>	Jump to the given address

The current contents of the main memory are:

Address	Instruction
130	LDI 160
131	ADD 153
132	STO 153
133	LDD 160
134	INC ACC
135	STO 160
136	JMP 130
...	
150	13
151	23
152	11
153	0
...	
160	150

Complete the trace table for **two iterations** of the loop.

Instruction address	ACC	Memory address				
		150	**151**	**152**	**153**	**160**
		13	23	11	0	150

[4]

9 An airline company uses a relational database to store data about passengers and flights.

Part of the database is shown.

```
PASSENGER(PassengerID, FirstName, LastName)

FLIGHT(FlightID, FlightDate, FlightTime)

PASSENGER_LIST(FlightID, PassengerID, SeatNo)
```

(a) Complete the entity-relationship (E-R) diagram to show the relationships between the given tables.

```
+------------------+                      +------------------+
|                  |                      |                  |
|    PASSENGER     |                      |     FLIGHT       |
|                  |                      |                  |
+------------------+                      +------------------+


              +------------------+
              |                  |
              |  PASSENGER_LIST  |
              |                  |
              +------------------+
```

[2]

(b) The following is example data for the table `FLIGHT`:

FlightID	FlightDate	FlightTime
MO126	05/05/21	09:00
GK6708	06/09/21	00:30
BA0897	08/12/21	15:30

Write Data Definition Language (DDL) statements to define the table `FLIGHT`.

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.... [5]

10 Janaka is developing a new computer program. She decides to use an interpreter instead of a compiler.

(a) State **three** benefits of using an interpreter.

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2 ....

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3 ....

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[3]

(b) State **one** drawback of using an interpreter.

....

.... [1]

11 The Internet uses a client-server model.

(a) Describe the role of clients and servers on the Internet.

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.... [2]

(b) Computers on the Internet have IP addresses.

Describe the format of an IP address.

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1 A company has a LAN (local area network).

(a) Give **two** benefits of connecting computers to a LAN.

1 ....

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2 ....

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[2]

(b) Give **two** characteristics of a LAN.

1 ....

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2 ....

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[2]

(c) One of the company's offices has one server and four computers connected in a star topology.

Draw a diagram to show the layout of the office's star topology.

[2]

(d) Computers can be connected using Ethernet.

Describe what is meant by **Ethernet**.

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.... [3]

(e) The network runs as a thick-client model.

Describe what is meant by a **thick-client** model.

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2 A horse riding school uses a database, `Lessons`, to store data about lesson bookings.

This database is created and managed using a Database Management System (DBMS).

(a) The table contains names and descriptions of DBMS features and tools.

Complete the table by writing down the missing names and descriptions.

Name	Description
Data dictionary	....
Query processor	....
....	A model of a database that is not specific to one DBMS.
....	A software tool that allows the user to create items such as tables, forms and reports.

[4]

(b) Explain the reasons why referential integrity is important in a database.

....

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.... [3]

(c) The database `Lessons` has the following tables:

`HORSE(HorseID, Name, Height, Age, HorseLevel)`

`STUDENT(StudentID, FirstName, LastName, RiderLevel, PreferredHorseID)`

`LESSON(LessonID, Date, Time, StudentID, HorseID, LessonContent)`

Dates in this database are stored in the format `#DD/MM/YYYY#`.

The fields `RiderLevel` and `HorseLevel` can only have the values: `Beginner`, `Intermediate` or `Advanced`.

(i) Describe **two** methods of validating the field `RiderLevel`.

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(ii) Write a Structured Query Language (SQL) script to return the names of all the horses that have the horse level intermediate or beginner.

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(iii) The following SQL script should return the number of riders that have the rider level beginner and have a lesson booked on 09/09/2023.

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SELECT SUM(STUDENT.RiderLevel) AS NumberOfRiders

FROM STUDENT, LESSON

WHERE StudentID = StudentID

OR Date = #09/09/2023#

AND STUDENT.RiderLevel = Beginner;
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There are **four** errors in the script.

Identify **and** correct each error.

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3 A program is written in assembly language.

(a) The program is converted into machine code by a two-pass assembler.

Draw **one or more** lines to identify the pass or passes in which each action takes place.

Action **Pass**

| generates object code |

| reads the source code one line at a time |

| first |

| removes white space |

| second |

| adds labels to the symbol table |

[3]

(b) Assembly language statements can use different modes of addressing.

Complete the following description of addressing modes.

.... addressing is when the operand holds the memory address of the data.

.... addressing is when the operand holds a memory address that stores the memory address of the data.

.... addressing is when the operand is the data.

[3]

4 Data in a computer is stored in binary form.

(a) State the number of unique binary values that can be represented in 16 bits.

.... [1]

(b) Give the 8-bit one's complement representation of the denary number −120.

Show your working.

Working ....

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Answer ....

[2]

(c) Convert the hexadecimal number A04 into denary.

Show your working.

Working ....

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Answer ....

[2]

(d) Show the result of a 2-place left logical shift on the binary number:

01001111

.... [1]

5 A student has purchased a new laptop.

(a) The laptop is designed using the Von Neumann model for a computer system.

Identify **two** types of signal that a control bus can transfer.

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[2]

(b) Describe **two** ways the hardware of a laptop can be upgraded to improve the performance **and** explain how each upgrade improves the performance.

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[4]

(c) Peripherals are connected to the laptop using ports.

   (i) A printer is connected to a Universal Serial Bus (USB) port.

      Describe how data is transmitted through a USB port.

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   (ii) A monitor is connected to the laptop using a different type of port.

      Identify **one** other type of port that can be used to connect the monitor.

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(d) The laptop has systems software.

   (i) Describe how the Operating System (OS) manages processes in the computer.

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   (ii) Describe the purpose of utility software in a computer.

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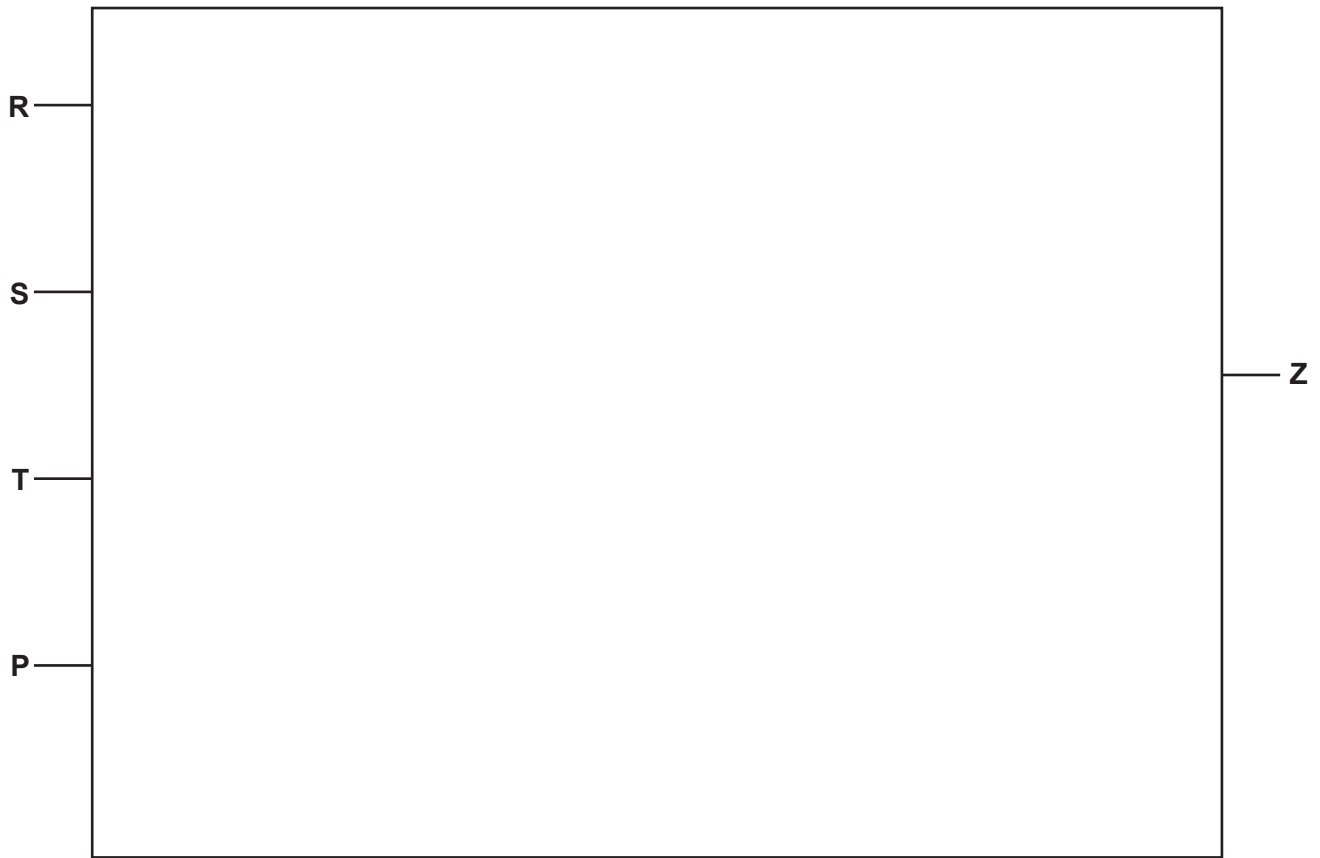
6 (a) Draw the logic circuit for this logic expression:

$$Z = (R \text{ XOR } S) \text{ AND } (\text{NOT } T \text{ NOR } P)$$

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S

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[2]

(b) Complete the truth table for this logic expression:

$$Z = (\text{NOT } P \text{ OR } Q) \text{ XOR } (R \text{ NOR } Q)$$

P	Q	R	Working space	Z
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]

7 A software developer is working in a team writing a program for a client.

(a) The developer is writing a new program library to be used by the other team members.

(i) Define the term **program library**.

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(ii) Explain **two** benefits to the developer of choosing to create a Dynamic Link Library (DLL).

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[4]

(b) The development team needs to use a translator whilst writing the program for the client.

Identify whether an interpreter or a compiler would be more appropriate at this stage of the program development.

Justify your choice.

Translator ....

Justification ....

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.... [3]

(c) The development team uses an Integrated Development Environment (IDE).

Complete the table by describing the typical features found in an IDE.

Feature	Description
Breakpoints	....
Dynamic syntax checks	....
Context-sensitive prompts	....
Single stepping	....

[4]

(d) One section of the program being developed will convert user's speech into commands.

Explain how Artificial Intelligence (AI) can be used in this program.

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1 Draw **one** line from each software licence to its correct description.

Software licence   **Description**

| | A limited version of the software could be released and downloaded by anyone, but users would need to pay to unlock additional features. |

| Shareware |

| | A licence **must** be purchased to use the software. |

| Open Source |

| | Users **cannot** download the software over the Internet. |

| Commercial |

| | The original source code is made available for other developers who can then modify and improve the software. |

[3]

2 Zak designs a logo for his company. He uses vector graphics software to create the logo.

(a) One of the drawing objects in the logo is a circle.

Identify **four** properties of the circle.

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[4]

(b) Describe what is meant by a **drawing list** using the logo as an example.

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.... [2]

(c) Zak could have used a bitmapped image for the logo.

Describe **two** drawbacks of using a bitmapped image for the logo instead of a vector graphic.

Drawback 1 ....

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Drawback 2 ....

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[4]

(d) Zak's company holds details about clients in a database.

Give **three** security measures that Zak can implement to make sure that only authorised employees can access the data.

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[3]

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

Instruction		Explanation
Op code	**Operand**	
LDD	`<address>`	Direct addressing. Load the content of the location at the given address to ACC.
LDI	`<address>`	Indirect addressing. The address to be used is at the given address. Load the contents of this second address to ACC.
DEC	`<register>`	Subtract 1 from the contents of the register (ACC or IX).
CMP	`<address>`	Compare the contents of ACC with the contents of `<address>`.
JMP	`<address>`	Jump to the given address.
JPE	`<address>`	Following a compare instruction, jump to `<address>` if the compare was True.
STO	`<address>`	Store the contents of ACC at the given address.
END		Return control to the operating system.

The current contents of the main memory are:

Address	Instruction
100	LDD 200
101	CMP 201
102	JPE 106
103	DEC ACC
104	STO 200
105	JMP 101
106	END
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200	2
201	0
202	200

(a) Trace the program currently in memory using the following trace table.

Instruction address	ACC	Memory address		
		200	**201**	**202**
		2	0	200

[3]

(b) The instruction in memory address `100` needs to be changed. It needs to use indirect addressing to load the contents of memory address `200`.

Give the new instruction to replace `LDD 200`.

.... [1]

(c) Each instruction in the assembly language program is encoded in 16 bits (8-bit op code followed by an 8-bit operand).

(i) The instruction `CMP 201` has the operand `201`.

Convert the operand `201` into 8-bit binary.

[1]

(ii) State the **maximum** number of op codes that can be represented using eight bits.

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(d) The status register contains condition flags.

Identify **three** condition flags that can be set in the status register.

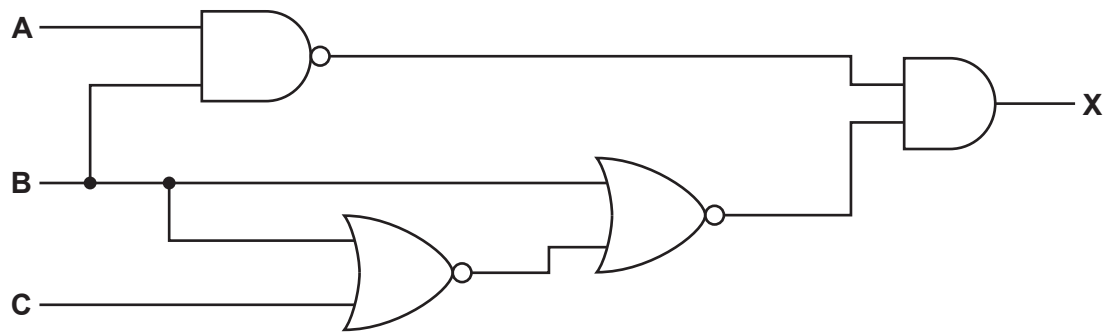1 ....

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[3]

4 Consider the following logic circuit:

(a) Complete the truth table for the logic circuit.

A	B	C	Working space	X
0	0	0		0
0	0	1		1
0	1	0		0
0	1	1		0
1	0	0		0
1	0	1		1
1	1	0		0
1	1	1		0

[4]

(b) Identify **three** logic gates **not** used in the logic circuit.

Gate 1 ....

Gate 2 ....

Gate 3 ....

[1]

5   A company runs activity courses. It is creating a relational database to store details of the courses it runs.

The database has five tables:

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EMPLOYEE(EmployeeID, FirstName, LastName, Role, Language)
BOOKING(BookingID, CustomerID, CourseID)
CUSTOMER(CustomerID, FirstName, LastName)
COURSE(CourseID, Title, Level, Date)
COURSE_EMPLOYEE(CourseID, EmployeeID)
```
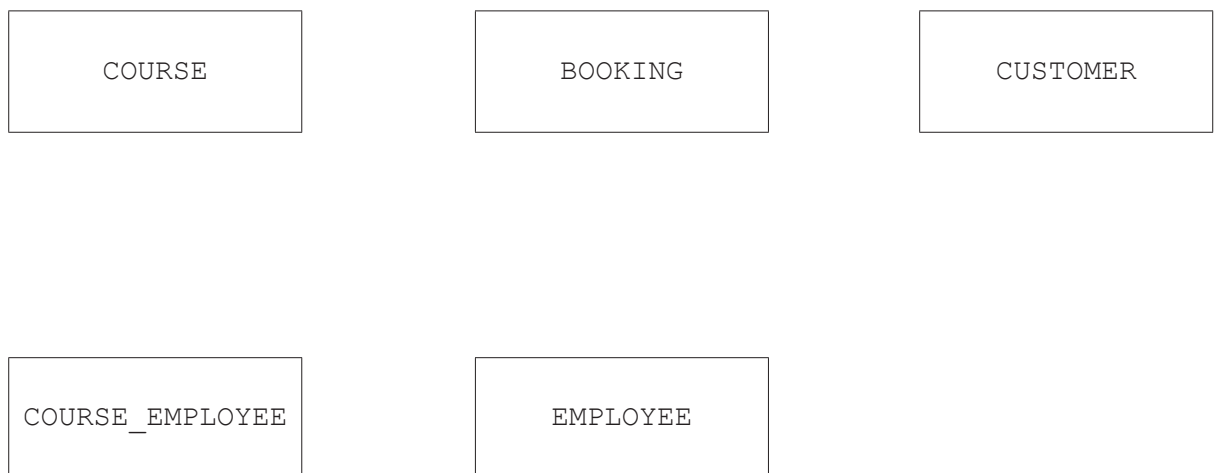
(a) Complete the entity relationship (E-R) diagram for the database.

COURSE		BOOKING		CUSTOMER

COURSE_EMPLOYEE		EMPLOYEE

[4]

(b) Describe what is meant by **referential integrity**.
Give an example from the CUSTOMER and BOOKING tables in your answer.

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.... [2]

(c) A Data Definition Language (DDL) is used to create the structure of the database. One item that can be created is the database.

Identify **three other** items that can be created in the database using the DDL.

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[3]

(d) Part of the EMPLOYEE table is shown.

EmployeeID	FirstName	LastName	Role	Language
001	Jasmine	Chen	Leader	French
002	Kenton	Archer	Leader	English
003	Michael	Roux	Cook	French
004	Conrad	Slavorski	Leader	Russian

Write a Data Manipulation Language (DML) statement to return the first name and last name of all employees, who are leaders, and speak either French or English.

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6 A web page includes HTML, JavaScript and PHP code.

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01  <html>
02  <body>
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04  <p>
05  <?PHP
06      $message = "Enter the current time"
07      echo $message
08  ?>
09  </p>
10
11  24 hour clock hour<input id = "Time" value = "">
12  <button onclick = "timeOfDay()">Enter</button>
13
14  <script>
15      function timeOfDay() {
16          var hour, greeting;
17          hour = document.getElementById("Time").value;
18          if (hour < 18) {
19              greeting = "Good day";
20          } else {
21              greeting = "Good evening";
22          }
23          alert(greeting);
24      }
25  </script>
26
27  </body>
28  </html>
```

(a) The page is loaded and the value 16 is entered.

State the output when the enter button is clicked.

.... [1]

(b) Give the line number where the JavaScript function is called.

.... [1]

(c) Give the identifier names of **two** variables used in the JavaScript code.

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2 ....
[1]

(d) Tick (✓) **one** box in each row to indicate whether each of the following statements is true or false.

Statement	True	False
The program contains client-side and server-side code		
The PHP code in the program will run on the client-side		
Line `19` of the code outputs the message `"Good day"`		
Line `18` of the code contains a conditional statement		

[2]

(e) Examine the following list of terms:

bandwidth	**browser**	**compiler**	**HTML**	**interpreter**
JavaScript	**PHP**	**router**	**server**	**server-side**
transmission	**validation**			

Complete the following sentences by filling in the missing terms from the list.
Some terms may be used more than once. Some terms are not used.

.... can be performed both client-side and server-side.

It is performed more rapidly by the .... because there is no delay in

transmitting and receiving data to and from the ....

It is also performed on the server-side, because the client's .... may

not support .... , so the data will still need checking to avoid errors.

[5]

7 This question presents three scenarios.

Tick (✓) **one** box for each scenario to indicate whether you think the behaviour shown is ethical or unethical. Justify your choice.

(a) Marina has a very short deadline to create a piece of software for a client. Algorithm A is quick to code and simpler to test but has an inefficient run time. Algorithm B is more complex to code and test but has a more efficient run time. She decides to implement algorithm A.

Ethical	
Unethical	

Justification ....

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(b) Doug is managing a project for a client that has fallen behind schedule. He asks all members of the project team to work extra hours and to cancel any holiday plans to get the project back on schedule.

Ethical	
Unethical	

Justification ....

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(c) Debbie is programming a car safety management system. She thinks that the test plan she has been given is not adequate. She decides to discuss her concerns on a public internet forum.

Ethical	
Unethical	

Justification ....

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8 Jay is developing a computer game that allows users to create stories.

(a) Jay uses a language translator to develop the computer game.

(i) Tick (✓) **one or more** boxes in each row to identify the language translator(s) each statement describes.

Statement	Assembler	Interpreter	Compiler
Translates and executes each line of source code one line at a time			
Translates low-level source code into machine code			
Must be present in memory to execute the code			
Translates high-level source code into low-level code			

[4]

(ii) Jay decides to use a compiler to develop the game.

Identify **two** benefits of using a compiler.

Benefit 1 ....

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Benefit 2 ....

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[2]

(b) The game generates a story which is stored as a text file.
Jay compresses the text file using lossless compression before sending it by email to his friend.

(i) Identify **two** reasons for compressing the text file.

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[2]

(ii) Explain the reasons why Jay compresses the text file with lossless compression instead of lossy compression.

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.... [2]

9 (a) Identify **two** differences between a public IP address and a private IP address.

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[2]

(b) Complete the table by identifying the **most appropriate** term for each description. Each term must be different.

Description	Term
Receives data packets from a network and forwards them onto a similar network	
Manages access to a centralised resource	
Joins networks that use different sets of rules to transmit data	
Monitors and controls incoming and outgoing network traffic based on set criteria	

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1 (a) (i) Convert the unsigned binary integer into denary.

<div align="center">00100111</div>

Answer .... [1]

(ii) Convert the Binary Coded Decimal (BCD) into denary.

<div align="center">00100111</div>

Answer .... [1]

(iii) Convert the 8-bit two's complement binary integer into denary.

<div align="center">11100111</div>

Answer .... [1]

(b) Perform the following binary subtraction. Show your working.

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  1 0 1 1 0 0 1 1
– 0 1 1 1 0 1 0 1
  _____
```

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[2]

(c) Give **one** similarity and **two** differences between the ASCII and Unicode character sets.

Similarity ....

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Difference 1 ....

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Difference 2 ....

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[3]

(d) Sound samples are recorded and saved in a file.

(i) State what is meant by **sampling rate**.

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.... [1]

(ii) Explain the effect of increasing the **sampling resolution** on the sound file.

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.... [2]

2   Draw **one** line from each security feature to its most appropriate description.

Security feature   **Description**

| | converts data to an alternative form |

| firewall | |

| | redirects a user to a fake website |

| pharming | |

| | verifies the authenticity of data |

| anti-virus software | |

| | scans files on the hard drive for malicious software |

| encryption | |

| | accepts or rejects incoming and outgoing packets based on criteria |

[4]

3 **(a)** Draw a logic circuit for the logic expression:

X = NOT ((NOT **A** AND NOT **B**) OR (NOT **B** AND NOT **C**))

[2]

(b) Complete the truth table for the logic expression:

X = NOT ((NOT **A** AND NOT **B**) OR (NOT **B** AND NOT **C**))

A	B	C	Working space	X
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]

4 A photographer creates a relational database to store data about photographs taken at birthday parties.

The database, PHOTOGRAPHS, stores details of the customer, the party, the photographs taken and the cameras used.

The photographer has several cameras that are used for taking the photographs at the parties.

Each camera has a specific lens type (for example, XY32Z) and lighting type (for example, F1672).

Data about each photograph is stored in the database including the party at which it was taken, the time it was taken and the camera used.

The database has these four tables:

CUSTOMER(<u>CustomerID</u>, FirstName, LastName, Telephone)

PARTY(<u>PartyID</u>, CustomerID, PartyDate, StartTime)

PHOTO_DATA(<u>PhotoID</u>, PartyID, TimeTaken, CameraID)

CAMERA_DATA(<u>CameraID</u>, LensType, LightingType)

(a) Complete the entity-relationship (E-R) diagram for the database PHOTOGRAPHS.

PARTY		CUSTOMER

PHOTO_DATA		CAMERA_DATA

[3]

(b) The database is normalised and is in Third Normal Form (3NF).

Describe the characteristics of a database that is in Third Normal Form (3NF).

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(c) The table shows some sample data for the table `PHOTO_DATA`.

PhotoID	PartyID	TimeTaken	CameraID
ST23-56	BD987	08:34	NIK-02
ST23-57	BD987	08:55	NIK-02
ST23-60	BC08	09:01	CAN-01
ST23-61	BC08	10:23	CAN-12
ST23-62	BC08	10:56	NIK-01

(i) State what is meant by a **tuple**. Give an example of a tuple from `PHOTO_DATA`.

Tuple ....

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Example ....

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[2]

(ii) Complete the Structured Query Language (SQL) script to display the total number of photographs that have been taken using a camera with a camera ID starting with `CAN`.

SELECT .... (..)

FROM ....

WHERE CameraID LIKE .... ;
[4]

(d) Write an SQL script to include two new fields in CAMERA_DATA to store the number of photographs currently on the camera **and** the date the camera was last used.

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Question 5 begins on page 10.

5 **(a)** State what is meant by the **stored program concept** in the Von Neumann model of a computer system.

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(b) A Central Processing Unit (CPU) contains several special purpose registers and other components.

(i) State the role of the following registers.

Program Counter (PC) ....

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Index Register (IX) ....

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Status Register (SR) ....

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[3]

(ii) Tick (✓) **one** box in each row to identify the system bus used by each CPU component.

CPU component	Data bus	Address bus	Control bus
System clock			
Memory Address Register (MAR)			

[1]

(iii) Describe the purpose of the Control Unit (CU) in a CPU.

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.... [2]

(c) Describe the purpose of an interrupt in a computer system.

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.... [2]

(d) Identify **two** causes of a software interrupt.

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[2]

6 The following table shows part of the instruction set for a processor. The processor has one general purpose register, the Accumulator (ACC), and an Index Register (IX).

Instruction		Explanation
Opcode	**Operand**	
LDM	#n	Immediate addressing. Load the number n to ACC
LDD	<address>	Direct addressing. Load the contents of the location at the given address to ACC
LDX	<address>	Indexed addressing. Form the address from <address> + the contents of the index register. Copy the contents of this calculated address to ACC
LDR	#n	Immediate addressing. Load the number n to IX
STO	<address>	Store contents of ACC at the given address
ADD	<address>	Add the contents of the given address to the ACC
ADD	#n	Add the denary number n to the ACC
INC	<register>	Add 1 to the contents of the register (ACC or IX)
CMP	#n	Compare the contents of ACC with number n
JPE	<address>	Following a compare instruction, jump to <address> if the compare was True
JPN	<address>	Following a compare instruction, jump to <address> if the compare was False
OUT		Output to the screen the character whose ASCII value is stored in ACC
END		Return control to the operating system
<address> can be an absolute or a symbolic address # denotes a denary number, e.g. #123 B denotes a binary number, e.g. B01001101		

(a) The current contents of main memory and selected values from the ASCII character set are given.

(i) Trace the program currently in memory using the trace table.

Address	Instruction
77	LDR #0
78	LDX 110
79	CMP #35
80	JPE 92
81	ADD 100
82	STO 101
83	LDM #1
84	ADD 100
85	STO 100
86	INC IX
87	LDX 110
88	CMP #35
89	JPN 81
90	LDD 100
91	ADD #48
92	OUT
93	END
…	⌇
100	0
101	0
…	⌇
110	66
111	65
112	35

Instruction address	ACC	IX	Memory address 100	101	110	111	112	Output
			0	0	66	65	35	

ASCII value	Character
49	1
50	2
51	3
52	4
⌇	⌇
65	A
66	B
67	C
68	D

[4]

(ii) The following instructions are repeated for your reference.

Instruction		Explanation
Opcode	**Operand**	
LDD	<address>	Direct addressing. Load the contents of the location at the given address to ACC
STO	<address>	Store contents of ACC at the given address

State the purpose of this part of an assembly language program.

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LDD 100
STO 165
LDD 101
STO 100
LDD 165
STO 101
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[1]

Question 6(b) begins on page 16.

(b) The following table shows another part of the instruction set for the processor.

Instruction		Explanation
Opcode	Operand	
AND	#n	Bitwise AND operation of the contents of ACC with the operand
AND	Bn	Bitwise AND operation of the contents of ACC with the binary number n
XOR	#n	Bitwise XOR operation of the contents of ACC with the operand
XOR	Bn	Bitwise XOR operation of the contents of ACC with the binary number n
OR	#n	Bitwise OR operation of the contents of ACC with the operand
OR	Bn	Bitwise OR operation of the contents of ACC with the binary number n
LSR	#n	Bits in ACC are shifted logically n places to the right. Zeros are introduced on the left-hand end
<address> can be an absolute or a symbolic address # denotes a denary number, e.g. #123 B denotes a binary number, e.g. B01001101		

(i) The current contents of the ACC are:

1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1

Show the result after the execution of the following instruction.

XOR B00011111

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[1]

(ii) The current contents of the ACC are:

1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1

Show the result after the execution of the following instruction.

AND B11110000

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[1]

(iii) The current contents of the ACC are:

1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1

Show the result after the execution of the following instruction.

OR B11001100

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....

[1]

(iv) The current contents of the ACC are:

1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1

Show the result after the execution of the following instruction.

LSR #2

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[1]

(c) Tick (✓) **one or more** boxes in each row to indicate whether the task is performed in the first pass or the second pass of a two-pass assembler.

Task	First pass	Second pass
Remove comments.		
Read the assembly language program one line at a time.		
Generate the object code.		
Check the opcode is in the instruction set.		

[2]

7 (a) State **two** benefits to a programmer of using Dynamic Link Library (DLL) files.

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(b) Memory management is one of the tasks performed by an Operating System (OS).

Describe the ways in which memory management organises and allocates Random Access Memory (RAM).

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(c) An Operating System may include a utility program to compress text files.

Describe **one** appropriate method of compressing a text file.

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(d) Explain the reasons why increasing the amount of cache memory can improve the performance of a CPU.

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(e) State the name of a peripheral device port that provides a physical connection in the computer for each of these peripherals.

3D printer ....

Monitor ....
[2]

8 A Local Area Network (LAN) uses a bus topology.

Describe how Carrier Sense Multiple Access / Collision Detection (CSMA/CD) is used in a bus network.

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9 Many modern televisions are examples of embedded systems.

(a) Explain why these televisions are embedded systems.

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(b) Embedded systems use Electrically Erasable Programmable ROM (EEPROM).

Describe **one** benefit of using EEPROMs in an embedded system.

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1 Consider the following logic circuit:

(a) Complete the truth table for the logic circuit.

A	B	C	Working space	Q
0	0	0		0
0	0	1		0
0	1	0		0
0	1	1		0
1	0	0		1
1	0	1		1
1	1	0		1
1	1	1		1

[4]

(b) Identify the **three** logic gates used in the given logic circuit.

Gate 1 ....

Gate 2 ....

Gate 3 ....

[1]

2   The following diagram shows four register notations and seven descriptions.

Draw **one** line from each register notation to its **most appropriate** description.

Register notation	**Description**

MDR

| Holds the op code and operand of an instruction ready for it to be decoded |

| Holds the address of the next instruction to be read |

CIR

| Holds flags that are set when the Arithmetic and Logic Unit (ALU) executes instructions |

| Holds data read from, or to be written to, memory |

MAR

| Holds the current value in the Index Register |

| Holds the address where data is to be written to or read from |

PC

| Holds the result of the last instruction executed by the ALU |

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

Instruction		Explanation
Op code	**Operand**	
LDD	<address>	Direct addressing. Load the contents of the location at the given address to ACC.
LDI	<address>	Indirect addressing. The address to be used is at the given address. Load the contents of this second address to ACC.
STO	<address>	Store the contents of ACC at the given address.
ADD	<address>	Add the contents of the given address to ACC.
INC	<register>	Add 1 to the contents of the register (ACC or IX).
JMP	<address>	Jump to the given address.
CMP	<address>	Compare the contents of ACC with the contents of <address>.
JPE	<address>	Following a compare instruction, jump to <address> if the compare was True.
END		Return control to the operating system.

The current contents of the main memory are:

Address	Instruction
50	LDI 103
51	CMP 101
52	JPE 59
53	ADD 102
54	STO 102
55	LDD 100
56	INC ACC
57	STO 100
58	JMP 51
59	ADD 102
60	STO 102
61	END
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100	1
101	3
102	0
103	100

(a) Trace the program currently in memory using the following trace table.

Instruction address	ACC	Memory address			
		100	101	102	103
		1	3	0	100

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(b) The instruction in memory address `50` needs to be changed to use direct addressing to load the contents of the memory location at address `100`.

Give the new instruction to replace `LDI 103`.

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(c) Each instruction in the assembly language program is encoded in 16 bits (8-bit op code followed by an 8-bit operand).

(i) The instruction `JPE 59` has the operand `59`.

Convert the operand `59` into 8-bit binary.

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(ii) Convert the denary value `59` into hexadecimal.

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(d) The assembly language program uses direct and indirect addressing.

Identify **two other** modes of addressing used in an assembly language program.

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4   K2 Mountain Guiding is a company that runs courses teaching people how to climb mountains.

The company uses a file-based approach to store and retrieve data.

(a) Describe **three** drawbacks of a file-based approach compared to a relational database.

Drawback 1 ....

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Drawback 2 ....

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Drawback 3 ....

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[6]

(b) Each course has a destination and a trip date, and is run by a guide.
Customers can book a place on one or more courses.

The following table shows part of the stored file:

Customer name	Customer date of birth	Guide	Destination	Trip date
Jay Patel	10/10/1976	Artem	Elbrus	06/03/2023
Paul Schloss	10/04/1999	Kenton	K2	01/03/2022
Mina Wang	03/03/2000	Kenton	K2	01/03/2022
Paul Schloss	10/04/1999	Safia	Mont Blanc	07/07/2024
Jay Patel	10/10/1976	Safia	K2	04/04/2023

The company has decided to create a relational database to replace the current file-based approach.

Identify **three** reasons why the data in this table is not in First Normal Form (1NF).

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[3]

(c) The table, GUIDE_TABLE, is created.

Each guide has a unique guide ID.

Part of the table GUIDE_TABLE is shown:

GuideID	Guide	DateOfBirth	Gender
1	Artem	07/03/1992	M
2	Kenton	08/04/1984	M
3	Safia	10/10/1999	F

Write a Data Definition Language (DDL) statement to define the table GUIDE_TABLE.

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5 A web page includes HTML and JavaScript code.

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01 <html>
02 <body>
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04 Calculate area of a triangle:
05 <form name = "Triangle">
06   <p>Base <input type = "number" name = "B" value = ""></p>
07   <p>Height <input type = "number" name = "H" value = ""></p>
08   <button onclick = "area()">Calculate</button>
09 </form>
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11 <script>
12 function area() {
13   var base = document.forms["Triangle"]["B"].value;
14   var height = document.forms["Triangle"]["H"].value;
15   if (base == "" || height == "") {
16      alert("Both values must be entered");
17      return false;
18   }
19   else {
20      area = 0.5 * height * base;
21      alert("The area is: " + area);
22   }
23 }
24 </script>
25 </body>
26 </html>
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(a) Give the **three** identifiers used in the JavaScript code.

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[2]

(b) State the purpose of the code on line `08`.

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(c) The page is loaded and the values 2 and 8 are entered.

State the output when the calculate button is clicked.

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(d) State the meaning of the || operator in line 15 of the code.

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(e) Data validation has been used in line 15 of the JavaScript code.

   (i) Identify the type of data validation used in line 15.

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  (ii) Identify **two** other data validation checks that could be used.

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Question 5 continues on the next page.

Cambridge International Holidays allows customers to make holiday bookings on its website.

(f) Bochen visits the Cambridge International Holidays website to book a holiday.

The sequence (1 to 8) below describes the steps that take place when he submits a booking.

Four of the statements **A**, **B**, **C**, **D**, **E** and **F** are used to complete the sequence.

A	Any errors found at the server side are flagged, and step 1 is repeated.
B	HTML code is used on the client's web browser to validate the form data.
C	PHP code is executed to generate a confirmation (HTML) web page that is returned to the client's web browser.
D	The form data is transmitted to Cambridge International Holidays' web server.
E	JavaScript code is executed to generate a confirmation (HTML) web page that is returned to the client's web browser.
F	JavaScript code is executed on the client's web browser to validate the form data.

Write **one** of the letters (**A**, **B**, **C**, **D**, **E** or **F**) in the appropriate row to complete the sequence.

1   Bochen completes the online booking and clicks 'Submit'.

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3   Any errors found are flagged, and step 1 is repeated.

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5   PHP code is executed to perform extra data validation checks on the form data.

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7   The booking details are added to the database.

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[4]

6 This question presents three scenarios.

Tick (✓) **one** box for each scenario to indicate whether you think the named person's behaviour is ethical or unethical. Justify your choice.

(a) Latifah has changed jobs and has started to work for a new company. The company uses an Integrated Development Environment (IDE) to develop code. Latifah decides not to use the IDE that the company has because she is familiar with a different IDE.

Ethical	
Unethical	

Justification

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(b) Samid is in charge of a project to write a banking application. He is employing staff to work on the application. His daughter is a computer security expert. She is looking for a new job. Samid decides to employ his daughter.

Ethical	
Unethical	

Justification

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(c) Jason works for a social media company. He is concerned that users of the company's social media website have not been told how their personal data is being used.

Jason tells his manager his concerns. His manager tells him not to worry because there have been no complaints from the users. Jason takes no further action.

Ethical	
Unethical	

Justification

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7 Sam is a photographer. She has an image library of over 10 000 images. She stores the images on a high capacity magnetic hard disk.

(a) Explain why Sam would use the following utility software.

(i) Backup

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(ii) Defragmenter

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.... [2]

(iii) Disk repair

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(b) The images are stored as bitmap files.

Identify **four** items that will be stored in the header of a bitmap file.

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[4]

(c) The bitmap images are compressed for use on a website.

Tick (✓) **one** box to select the **most appropriate** type of compression for the images used on the website and justify your answer.

Lossy	
Lossless	

Justification

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8 **(a)** Complete the following table by identifying the **most appropriate** term for each description. Each term must be different.

Description	Term
Ensures data is accurate and up to date	
Prevents accidental or malicious data loss	
Prevents unauthorised access to data	

[3]

(b) Describe what is meant by a **digital signature**.

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.... [2]

9 Networks can be either wired using cables or wireless using radio waves.

(a) Describe **one** benefit of using a wireless network compared to using a wired network.

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(b) Describe **two** drawbacks of using a wireless network compared to using a wired network.

Drawback 1 ....

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Drawback 2 ....

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1 (a) Draw **one** line from each utility software to its most appropriate purpose.

Utility software		Purpose

virus checker

disk formatter

backup

disk repair

defragmentation

to reorganise files so they are contiguous

to scan for malicious program code

to decrease the file size

to initialise a disk

to create copies of files in case the original is lost

to check for and fix inconsistencies on a disk

[5]

(b) Compilers and interpreters translate programs written in a high-level language into a low-level language.

(i) State **two** drawbacks of using a compiler compared to an interpreter during program development.

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(ii) Explain why high-level language programs might be partially compiled and partially interpreted.

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2 (a) (i) Convert the two's complement binary integer into denary.

<div align="center">10010110</div>

Answer .... [1]

(ii) Convert the unsigned binary integer into hexadecimal.

<div align="center">10010110</div>

Answer .... [1]

(iii) Convert the unsigned binary integer into Binary Coded Decimal (BCD). Show your working.

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Working ....

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Answer ....

[2]

(b) Perform the following binary addition.

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      1 0 0 0 1 1 0 0
 +    0 1 0 0 0 1 1 0
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[1]

3 (a) A greenhouse has an automatic window.

The window (**X**) operates according to the following criteria:

Parameter	Description of parameter	Binary value	Condition
T	Temperature	1	Too high
		0	Acceptable
W	Wind speed	1	Too high
		0	Acceptable
R	Rain	1	Detected
		0	Not detected
M	Manual override	1	On
		0	Off

The window opens (**X** = 1) if:

- the temperature is too high **and** the wind speed is acceptable
- **and**
- rain is not detected, **or** the manual override is off.

Draw a logic circuit to represent the operation of the window.

[3]
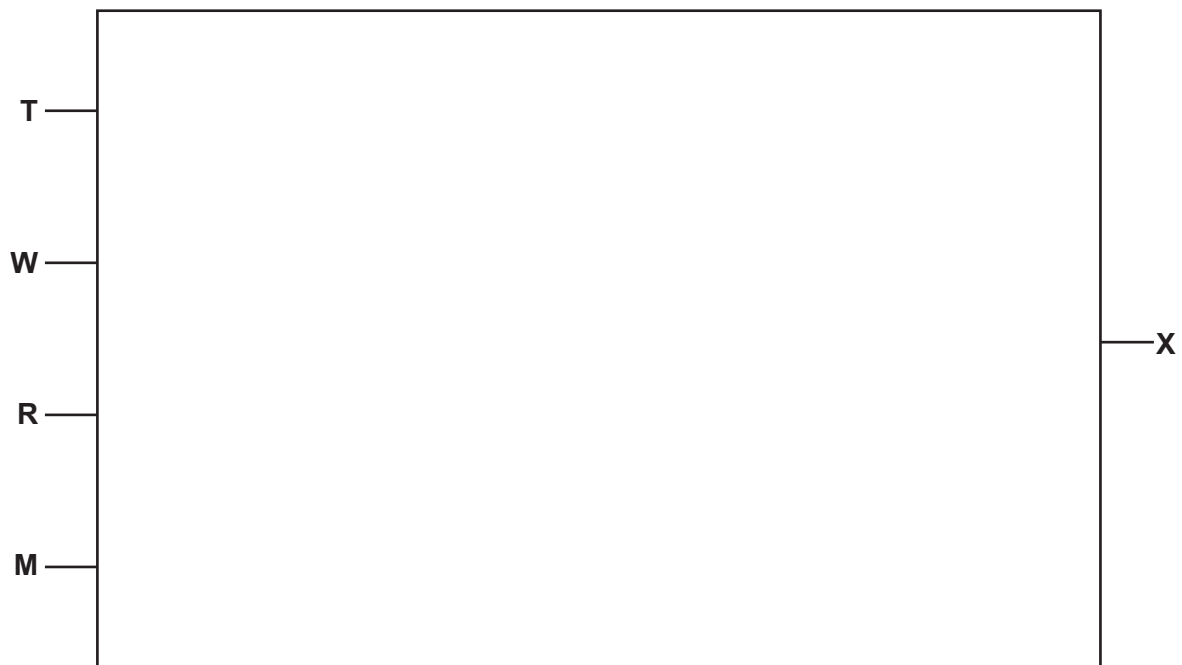
(b) Complete the truth table for the logic expression:

$$X = NOT (A \text{ OR } B \text{ OR } C) \text{ AND } (B \text{ NOR } C)$$

A	B	C	Working space	X
0	0	0		1
0	0	1		0
0	1	0		0
0	1	1		0
1	0	0		0
1	0	1		0
1	1	0		0
1	1	1		0

[2]

(c) Embedded systems contain Read Only Memory (ROM) and Random Access Memory (RAM).

Explain the reasons why ROM is used in an embedded system.

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4 (a) State the difference between **data verification** and **data validation**.

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(b) A checksum can be used to detect errors during data transmission.

Describe how a checksum is used.

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(c) One validation method is a presence check.

Describe **two other** validation methods that can be used to validate non-numeric data.

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[2]

5 A relational database, GARDEN, has the following tables:

OWNER(<u>OwnerID</u>, FirstName, TelephoneNo, TreeID, TreePosition)

TREE(<u>TreeID</u>, ScientificName, MaxHeight, FastGrowing)

(a) The database is **not** in Third Normal Form (3NF).

Explain how the database can be normalised to 3NF.

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(b) Write the Structured Query Language (SQL) script to add a new record in the table TREE to store the following data:

Attribute	Value
TreeID	LOW_1276
ScientificName	Salix_Alba
MaxHeight	30.00
FastGrowing	TRUE

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(c) State what is meant by a **candidate key** in a relational database.

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 [Turn over

(d) (i) Describe, using an example, what is meant by a **data dictionary**.

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(ii) Describe what is meant by a **logical schema**.

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6 **(a)** A student uses a networked laptop computer to send an email to a colleague.

(i) Explain how a digital signature ensures the email is authentic.

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(ii) Describe how a firewall protects the data on the computer.

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(b) The student records a sound file.

(i) Explain the effect of increasing the sampling rate on the accuracy of the sound recording.

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(ii) Explain the effect of decreasing the sampling resolution on the file size of the sound recording.

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7 The following table shows part of the instruction set for a processor. The processor has one general purpose register, the Accumulator (ACC), and an Index Register (IX).

Instruction		Explanation
Opcode	**Operand**	
LDM	#n	Immediate addressing. Load the number n to ACC
LDD	<address>	Direct addressing. Load the contents of the location at the given address to ACC
LDX	<address>	Indexed addressing. Form the address from <address> + the contents of the index register. Copy the contents of this calculated address to ACC
LDR	#n	Immediate addressing. Load the number n to IX
STO	<address>	Store the contents of ACC at the given address
ADD	<address>	Add the contents of the given address to the ACC
ADD	#n	Add the denary number n to the ACC
INC	<register>	Add 1 to the contents of the register (ACC or IX)
JMP	<address>	Jump to the given address
CMP	<address>	Compare the contents of ACC with the contents of <address>
CMI	<address>	Indirect addressing. The address to be used is at the given address. Compare the contents of ACC with the contents of this second address
JPE	<address>	Following a compare instruction, jump to <address> if the compare was True
JPN	<address>	Following a compare instruction, jump to <address> if the compare was False
END		Return control to the operating system
<address> can be an absolute or symbolic address # denotes a denary number, e.g. #123 B denotes a binary number, e.g. B01001101		

(a) Trace the program currently in memory using the trace table, stopping when line `90` is executed for a second time.

Address	Instruction
75	LDR #0
76	LDX 110
77	CMI 102
78	JPE 91
79	CMP 103
80	JPN 84
81	ADD 101
82	STO 101
83	JMP 86
84	INC ACC
85	STO 101
86	LDD 100
87	INC ACC
88	STO 100
89	INC IX
90	JMP 76
91	END
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100	0
101	0
102	112
103	4
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110	1
111	4
112	0

Instruction address	ACC	IX	|	Memory address						
				100	**101**	**102**	**103**	**110**	**111**	**112**
				0	0	112	4	1	4	0

[5]

(b) The following table shows another part of the instruction set for the processor.

Instruction		Explanation
Opcode	**Operand**	
AND	#n	Bitwise AND operation of the contents of ACC with the operand
AND	<address>	Bitwise AND operation of the contents of ACC with the contents of <address>
XOR	#n	Bitwise XOR operation of the contents of ACC with the operand
XOR	Bn	Bitwise XOR operation of the contents of ACC with the binary number n
XOR	<address>	Bitwise XOR operation of the contents of ACC with the contents of <address>
OR	#n	Bitwise OR operation of the contents of ACC with the operand
OR	<address>	Bitwise OR operation of the contents of ACC with the contents of <address>
LSL	#n	Bits in ACC are shifted logically n places to the left. Zeros are introduced on the right-hand end
LSR	#n	Bits in ACC are shifted logically n places to the right. Zeros are introduced on the left-hand end
<address> can be an absolute or symbolic address # denotes a denary number, e.g. #123 B denotes a binary number, e.g. B01001101		

The contents of memory addresses `50` and `51` are shown:

Memory address	Data value
50	01001101
51	10001111

(i) The current contents of the ACC are:

0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1

Show the contents of the ACC after the execution of the following instruction.

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XOR B00011111
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[1]

(ii) The current contents of the ACC are:

0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1

Show the contents of the ACC after the execution of the following instruction.

AND 50

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0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0

[1]

(iii) The current contents of the ACC are:

0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1

Show the contents of the ACC after the execution of the following instruction.

LSL #3

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1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0

[1]

(iv) The current contents of the ACC are:

0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1

Show the contents of the ACC after the execution of the following instruction.

OR 51

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0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1

[1]

(c) Write the register transfer notation for each of the stages in the fetch-execute cycle described in the table.

Description	Register transfer notation
Copy the address of the next instruction into the Memory Address Register.	
Increment the Program Counter.	
Copy the contents of the Memory Data Register into the Current Instruction Register.	

[3]

8 The following bitmap image has a resolution of 4096 × 4096 pixels and a colour depth of 24 bits per pixel.
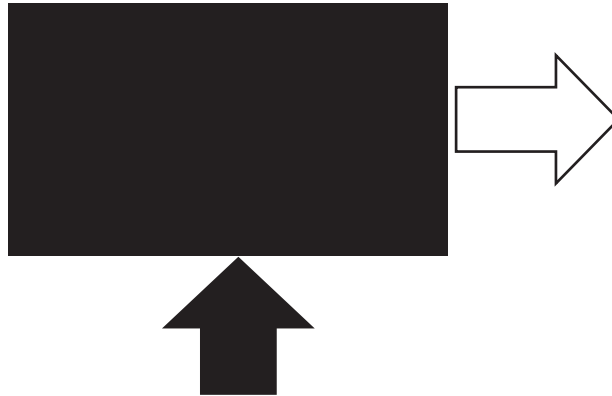
The image is displayed on a monitor that has a screen resolution of 1920 × 1080 pixels.

(a) Tick (✓) **one** box in each row to identify the effect of each action on the image file size.

Action	Increases the file size	Decreases the file size	No change to the file size
Change the colour depth of the image file to 16 bits per pixel.			
Change the screen resolution to 1366 × 768 pixels.			
Change the colour of the rectangle from black to red.			

[2]

(b) State **two** benefits of creating a vector graphic instead of a bitmap image.

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[2]

(c) A second bitmap image is stored using a colour depth of 8 bits per pixel.

The file is compressed using run-length encoding (RLE).

(i) The table shows the compressed and uncompressed values for parts of the image file.

Each colour of the pixel in the image is represented by a hexadecimal value.

Complete the table. The first row has been completed for you.

Uncompressed image	RLE compressed image
EA F1 F1 F2 F2 F2 EA	1EA 2F1 3F2 1EA
	2AB 2FF 11D 167
32 32 80 81 81	

[2]

(ii) RLE is an example of lossless compression.

Explain why lossless compression is more appropriate than lossy compression for a text file.

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9 One use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) is for facial recognition software.

Describe the social impact of using facial recognition software to identify individuals in an airport.

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10 A Local Area Network (LAN) consists of four computers, one server and a switch.

The LAN uses a star topology.

(a) Complete the following diagram to show how the hardware is connected.

Computer   Computer   Switch ◄──► Server   Computer   Computer
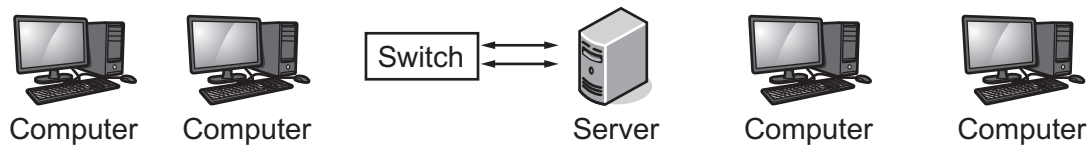
[1]

(b) A router is attached to one of the devices on the LAN shown in **part (a)** to connect the LAN to the internet.

(i) Identify the device. Give a reason for your choice.

Device ....

Reason ....

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(ii) Describe the role **and** function of the router in the network.

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1 Images are being created to advertise holidays.

Some of the images are bitmap images and some are vector graphics.

(a) Complete the table by defining the image terms.

Term	Definition
Drawing list	....
Pixel	....
Colour depth	....

[3]

(b) The bitmap images are photographs of the holiday locations.

(i) Colour depth and image resolution are both included in the file header of a bitmap image.

Identify **two other** items that could be included in the file header of each photograph.

1 ....

2 ....

[2]

(ii) One of the photographs has a bit depth of 8 bytes and an image resolution of 1500 pixels wide and 3000 pixels high.

Calculate the file size of the photograph in megabytes. Show your working.

Working ....

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File size ....MB

[2]

(c) The photographs are compressed before they are uploaded to a web server. Customers download the photographs from this web server.

(i) Explain the reasons why compressing the photographs will benefit the customers.

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.... [3]

(ii) An image can be compressed using run-length encoding (RLE).

Explain the reasons why RLE may **not** reduce the file size of a bitmap image. Give **one** example in your answer.

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.... [3]

2 An organisation uses a database to store data about the types of bird that people have seen.

(a) The database is managed using a Database Management System (DBMS).

(i) State what is meant by a data dictionary **and** give **one** example of an item typically found in a data dictionary.

Definition ....

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Example ....

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[2]

(ii) State what is meant by data integrity **and** give **one** example of how this is implemented in a database.

Definition ....

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Example ....

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[2]

(b) The database, `Birds`, stores information about the types of bird and the people who have seen them.

Data about each bird seen is stored with its location and data about the person who saw the bird.

Database `Birds` has the following tables:

`BIRD_TYPE(BirdID, Name, Size)`

`BIRD_SEEN(SeenID, BirdID, Date, Location, PersonID)`

`PERSON(PersonID, FirstName, LastName, EmailAddress)`

(i) Complete the table by identifying **two** foreign keys and the database table where each is found.

Foreign key	Database table

[2]

(ii) The database `Birds` has been normalised.

Draw **one** line from each Normal Form to the most appropriate definition.

Normal Form	Definition

| First Normal Form (1NF) | All fields are fully dependent on the primary key. |

| Second Normal Form (2NF) | There are no repeating groups of attributes. |

| Third Normal Form (3NF) | There are no partial dependencies. |

[1]

(iii) Part of the database table `BIRD_TYPE` is shown:

BirdID	Name	Size
0123	Blackbird	Medium
0035	Jay	Large
0004	Raven	Large
0085	Robin	Small

The database only supports these data types:

- character
- varchar
- Boolean
- integer
- real
- date
- time

Write a Structured Query Language (SQL) script to define the table `Bird_Type`.

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(iv) The database tables are repeated here for reference:

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BIRD_TYPE(BirdID, Name, Size)

BIRD_SEEN(SeenID, BirdID, Date, Location, PersonID)

PERSON(PersonID, FirstName, LastName, EmailAddress)
```

Complete the SQL script to return the number of birds of each size seen by the person with the ID of J_123.

```
SELECT BIRD_TYPE.Size, ........................................... (BIRD_TYPE.BirdID)

       AS NumberOfBirds

FROM BIRD_TYPE, ...........................................

WHERE .................................................... = "J_123"

AND BIRD_TYPE.BirdID = ......................................................

......................................... BIRD_TYPE.Size;
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[5]

3 A computer has an Operating System (OS).

(a) Describe how the Operating System manages the peripheral hardware devices of the computer.

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(b) Hardware management is one key management task carried out by the Operating System.

Identify **two other** key management tasks carried out by the Operating System.

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[2]

(c) The Operating System has utility software including defragmentation software.

Explain how defragmentation can improve the performance of the computer.

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.... [3]

(d) The computer stores data in binary form.

(i) State the difference between a kibibyte and a kilobyte.

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.... [1]

(ii) Convert the denary number 964 into Binary Coded Decimal (BCD).

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.... [1]

(iii) Convert the positive binary integer 11110010 into hexadecimal.

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.... [1]

(iv) Give the smallest **and** largest two's complement binary number that can be represented using 8 bits.

Smallest ....

Largest ....

[2]

(v) Add the following two binary integers using binary addition. Show your working.

$$1\ 0\ 1\ 1\ 0\ 0\ 0\ 0$$
$$+\ \underline{0\ 0\ 0\ 1\ 1\ 0\ 1\ 1}$$

[2]

(vi) Show the result of a 3-place right logical shift on the binary number:

11001100

.... [1]

4 A networked closed-circuit television (CCTV) system in a house uses sensors and cameras to detect the presence of a person. It then tracks the person and records a video of their movements.

Data from the CCTV cameras is transmitted to a central computer.

(a) This computer has both Read Only Memory (ROM) and Random Access Memory (RAM).

(i) Describe the contents of the ROM in the central computer.

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.... [2]

(ii) The central computer has Dynamic RAM (DRAM).

Identify **two** advantages of using DRAM instead of Static RAM (SRAM).

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[2]

(b) The central computer stores the video files on secondary storage.

Describe **two** reasons why magnetic storage is more appropriate than solid state storage for this computer.

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[4]

(c) The CCTV system uses Artificial Intelligence (AI) to identify the presence of a person in the house and to track their movements.

Describe how AI is used in this system.

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.... [3]

(d) The CCTV cameras are connected to a network and transfer their data wirelessly to the central computer.

(i) Each device on the network has an IP address.

Complete the description of IP addresses.

An IPv4 address contains .... groups of digits. Each group is

represented in .... bits and the groups are separated by full stops.

An IPv6 address contains .... groups of digits. Each group is

represented in .... bits. Multiple groups that only contain zeros

can be replaced with a ....

[5]

(ii) The network makes use of subnetting.

Describe **two** benefits of subnetting a network.
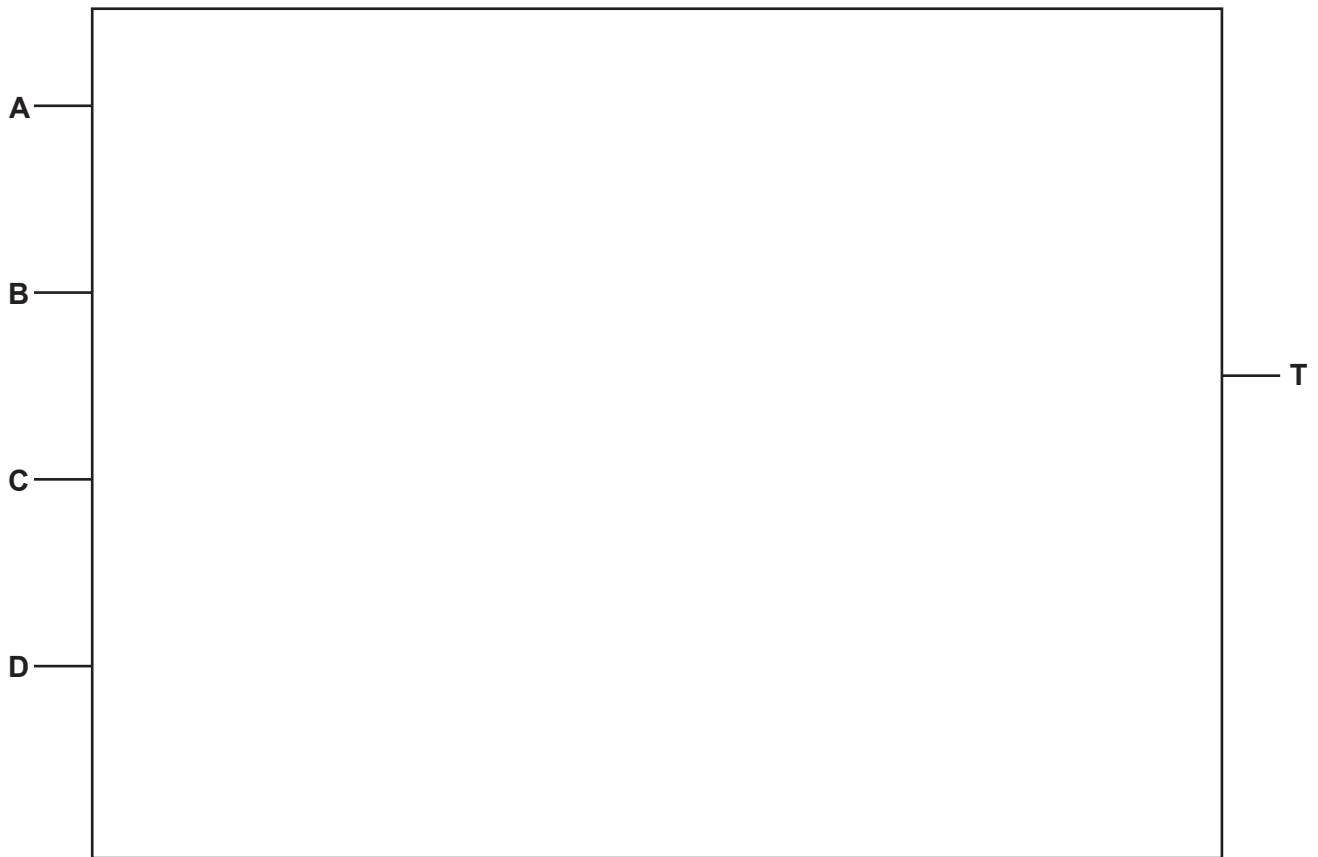
1 ....

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[4]

5 **(a)** Draw the logic circuit for this logic expression:

$$T = (NOT\ A\ OR\ B)\ XOR\ (C\ NAND\ D)$$

A ———

B ———

                                                                          ——— T

C ———

D ———

[2]

(b) Describe the function of the NAND and NOR logic gates.

NAND ....

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NOR ....

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[2]

6 An interrupt is generated when a key is pressed on a computer keyboard.

Explain how the computer handles this interrupt.

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1 A factory makes chocolate bars.

The factory uses a conveyor belt that moves the products from one stage of production to the next stage.

(a) An automated system counts the number of chocolate bars made at the end of production.

The system includes a sensor positioned above the conveyor belt.

Identify **one** appropriate type of sensor that can be used.

.... [1]

(b) A second automated system removes chocolate bars with an incorrect weight from the production line.

Describe the role of an **actuator** in this second system.

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.... [2]

(c) The factory has many different machines with embedded systems.

(i) Identify **two** features of embedded systems.

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(ii) Identify **one** drawback of embedded systems.

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2 (a) State what is meant by the following terms in a relational database model.

Entity ....

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Primary key ....

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Referential integrity ....

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[3]

(b) Authentication is one method a Database Management System (DBMS) can use to improve the security of a database.

Describe **other** methods that a DBMS can use to improve the security of a database.

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.... [4]

(c) The following database table is not normalised.

StudentName	DateOfBirth	TutorGroup	Subject	SubjectCode
Yuwei Chen	01/09/2004	SMH	English, Maths, Computer Science	EN, MA, CS
Claudia Raj	23/02/2005	JMB	Maths, Physics, Art	MA, PY, AR
Aamil Akram	24/01/2005	KMB	Art, Design, English language	AR, DE, EN
Areeba Faraz	21/12/2004	SMH	English language, Chemistry, Design	EN, CH, DE

Explain how to modify the table to put it into First Normal Form (1NF).

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.... [4]

3 **(a)** State **one** difference between a kibibyte and a megabyte.

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.... [1]

(b) **(i)** Convert the denary value into a 12-bit two's complement binary integer.

−196

Answer .... [1]

(ii) Convert the Binary Coded Decimal (BCD) into denary.

100001100101

Answer .... [1]

(iii) Convert the unsigned binary integer into denary.

000111010110

Answer .... [1]

(c) Identify **one** practical application of BCD **and** justify why BCD is used in this application.

Application ....

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Justification ....

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[2]

4 **(a)** Write the Boolean expression that corresponds to the following logic circuit.

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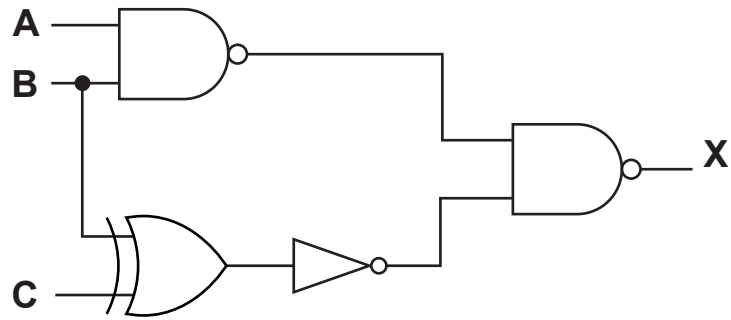
(b) Complete the truth table for the logic expression:

X = **A** XOR (**B** AND (**A** NAND **B**) AND NOT **C**)

A	B	C	Working space	X
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]

5 (a) State the meaning of **privacy of data**.

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.... [1]

(b) State the meaning of **integrity of data**.

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.... [1]

(c) Describe the following threats to a computer system.

Phishing email ....

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Spyware ....

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[4]

6 (a) A real-time video of a music concert needs to be streamed to subscribers.

Tick (✓) **one** box to identify the most appropriate type of compression **and** justify your answer.

Lossy	Lossless

Justification ....

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.... [3]

(b) Explain the impact of changing the sampling resolution on the accuracy of a sound recording.

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.... [3]

(c) A bitmap image has a resolution of 2048 pixels wide and 1024 pixels high.

The image has a bit depth of 10 bits per pixel.

Estimate the file size of the bitmap image in mebibytes. Show your working.

Working ....

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Estimated file size in mebibytes ....
[2]

7 A Local Area Network (LAN) contains four devices:

- a router
- two laptop computers
- a server.

(a) The server has the IP address 192.168.3.2

Explain why this is **not** an IPv6 address.

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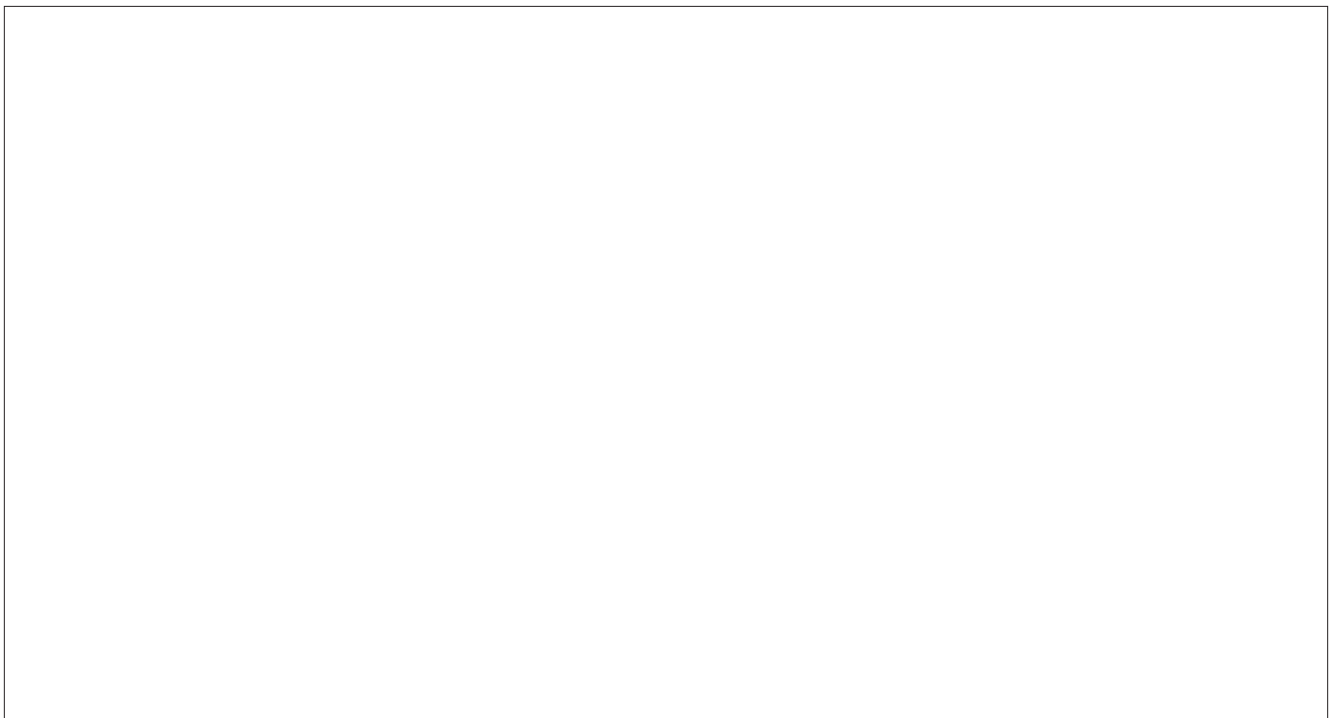
.... [2]

(b) (i) The LAN is set up as a star topology.

Draw a diagram of the topology of the LAN.

[2]

(ii) Explain how data is transmitted between the two laptops in the LAN.

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.... [2]

(iii) Subnetting can be used to separate a network into logical segments.

Describe **two other** reasons why subnetting is used in a network.

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[4]

(c) State **three** tasks performed by devices to deal with collisions when using the Carrier Sense Multiple Access / Collision Detection (CSMA/CD) protocol in a network.

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[3]

(d) The following incomplete table contains types of IP addresses and their descriptions.

Complete the table by writing the missing types of IP addresses and the missing descriptions.

Type of IP address	Description
....	an IP address that is assigned to a device to allow direct access on the internet
static IP address	....
....	an IP address used for internal LAN communication only
dynamic IP address	....

[4]

8 A computer has an Operating System (OS).

(a) State **one** purpose of the Operating System.

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.... [1]

(b) The Operating System has utility software.

The purpose of some utility software is to improve security.

Identify **one** example of utility software that is **not** intended to improve security.

Explain why this software is needed.

Utility software ....

Explanation ....

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[3]

(c) An optical disc reader/writer is connected to the computer.

(i) Give the name of **one** port that can provide a connection for the optical disc reader/writer.

.... [1]

(ii) Describe the roles of the address bus, the data bus **and** buffers in the process of writing data to the optical disc reader/writer.

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.... [3]

9 The following table shows part of the instruction set for a processor. The processor has two registers, the Accumulator (ACC) and the Index Register (IX).

Instruction		Explanation
Opcode	**Operand**	
LDD	<address>	Direct addressing. Load the contents of the location at the given address to ACC
LDX	<address>	Indexed addressing. Form the address from <address> + the contents of the index register. Copy the contents of this calculated address to ACC
LDR	#n	Immediate addressing. Load the number n to IX
STO	<address>	Store the contents of ACC at the given address
ADD	#n	Add the denary number n to the ACC
JMP	<address>	Jump to the given address
INC	<register>	Add 1 to the contents of the register (ACC or IX)
CMP	<address>	Compare the contents of ACC with the contents of <address>
CMI	<address>	Indirect addressing. The address to be used is at the given address. Compare the contents of ACC with the contents of this second address
JPE	<address>	Following a compare instruction, jump to <address> if the compare was True
IN		Key in a character and store its ASCII value in ACC
OUT		Output to the screen the character whose ASCII value is stored in ACC
END		Return control to the operating system
<address> can be an absolute or a symbolic address # denotes a denary number, e.g. #123		

(a) The instructions in the processor's instruction set can be grouped according to their function.

Identify the instruction group for each of the following opcodes.

IN ....

ADD ....

JPE ....

CMI ....
[4]

(b) The current contents of main memory and selected values from the ASCII character set are given on page 15.

Trace the program currently in memory using the trace table when the input is '1'.

Address	Instruction
10	LDR #0
11	IN
12	STO 101
13	LDX 110
14	CMP 100
15	JPE 21
16	LDD 101
17	ADD #16
18	INC IX
19	STO 100
20	JMP 13
21	OUT
22	END
...	∫
100	0
101	0
...	∫
110	51
111	65

Instruction address	ACC	IX	Memory address				Output
			100	**101**	**110**	**111**	
			0	0	51	65	

[4]

ASCII value	Character
49	1
50	2
51	3
52	4
...	∫
65	A
66	B
67	C
68	D

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1   A computer has Random Access Memory (RAM) and Read Only Memory (ROM).

Tick (✓) **one or more** boxes in each row to identify whether each statement refers to RAM, ROM or both.

Statement	RAM	ROM
Stores data permanently		
It is volatile		
Stores the start-up instructions for the computer		
Directly accessed by the CPU		
Type of main memory		
Stores currently running applications		
Can be static or dynamic		

[3]

2   A travel company is designing a website.

(a) The bitmap logo for the travel company is shown.

Each colour is represented by a letter, for example, R = red, B = black, W = white.

Bitmap Logo

R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
R	B	B	B	B	B	W	R
R	B	W	W	W	B	W	R
R	B	W	W	W	W	W	R
R	B	W	W	B	B	W	R
R	B	W	W	W	B	W	R
R	B	B	B	B	B	W	R
R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R

(i) State the minimum number of bits needed to represent each pixel in the bitmap logo.

.... [1]

(ii) Calculate the minimum file size, in bytes, of the bitmap logo. Show your working.

Working ....

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....

File size ....
[3]

(b) The travel company uploads a video to its website. The video is stored as an MP4 file. MP4 is an example of a multimedia container format.

Describe what is meant by a **multimedia container format**.

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.... [2]

(c) Complete the following sentences that describe two terms related to videos.

.... is when a sequence of consecutive pixels

in the same frame have the same value.

.... is when a pixel in the same location in two

consecutive frames has the same value.
[2]

3 Upali travels for his work and uses his mobile phone to access the World Wide Web (WWW) and to communicate with his office by email. His office has a fixed connection to the Internet.

(a) Identify **two** types of communication systems that support the transmission of his data.

1 ....

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2 ....

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[2]

(b) Upali connects his computer to the Local Area Network (LAN) when he is in the office.

The network uses both copper cables and fibre optic cables.

Identify **two** other examples of network hardware that can be used in a LAN.

1 ....

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[2]

(c) Checksum is one method used for verification of transmitted data within a network.

Name **and** describe **one other** method of verifying transmitted data.

Method ....

Description ....

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[3]

(d) Upali works for a company that stores data on a web server.

Describe **two** security measures that can be used to protect a web server from unauthorised access.

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[4]

4 The following table shows part of the instruction set for a processor. The processor has one general purpose register, the Accumulator (ACC), and an Index Register (IX).

Instruction		Explanation
Op Code	Operand	
LDD	`<address>`	Direct addressing. Load the contents of the location at the given address to ACC
CMP	`<address>`	Compare the contents of ACC with the contents of `<address>`
SUB	`<address>`	Subtract the contents of the given address from the ACC
INC	`<register>`	Add 1 to the contents of the register (ACC or IX)
DEC	`<register>`	Subtract 1 from the contents of the register (ACC or IX)
STO	`<address>`	Store contents of ACC at the given address
END		Return control to the operating system

(a) The instructions in the processor's instruction set can be grouped according to their function.

(i) Identify **three** different instruction groups from the instructions given in the table.

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3 ....
[3]

(ii) Identify **one** instruction group **not** given in the table.

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(b) The following are four special purpose registers used in the processor:

- Program Counter (PC)

- Memory Data Register (MDR)

- Memory Address Register (MAR)

- Current Instruction Register (CIR)

Describe the purpose of any **three** registers from the four given.

Register 1 ....

Description ....

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Register 2 ....

Description ....

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Register 3 ....

Description ....

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[6]

5 Jackie is writing a program in a high-level language (HLL). The program makes use of Dynamic Link Library (DLL) files.

(a) Complete the following sentences about DLL files by writing the missing words from the list given below.

closed	corrupted	directory	edited
errors	executable	opened	recompile
running	tested	validated	verified

The .... file does not contain the library routines.

A DLL file can be .... without having to .... the

calling program.

One drawback of a DLL file is that the main program could stop working if the DLL file is

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[4]

(b) Jackie will use language translation software to run her HLL program.

Identify **and** describe **one** type of language translator.

Translator ....

Description ....

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[4]

(c) Explain the reasons why Jackie should copyright her program.

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.... [2]

6 A computer has file compression and defragmenter software.

Describe these utility programs.

File compression ....

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Defragmenter ....

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[4]

7 Complete the truth table for the logic expression:

X = NOT(**A** AND **B**) OR NOT((**C** OR **A**) AND (**B** OR **C**))

A	B	C	Working space	X
0	0	0		
0	0	1		
0	1	0		
0	1	1		
1	0	0		
1	0	1		
1	1	0		
1	1	1		

[4]

8 An employment agency keeps records of its contracts with employers and workers in a relational database.

These are some of the tables in the database:

EMPLOYER(<u>EmpId</u>, EmpName, EmpAddress, EmpPhoneNumber)

WORKER(<u>WkId</u>, WkFirstName, WkLastName, WkAddress, WkPhoneNumber)

CONTRACT_TYPE(<u>ConTypeId</u>, ConName)

CONTRACT(<u>ConId</u>, ConTypeId, EmpId, WkId, RefConNumber)

(a) Complete the entity-relationship (E-R) diagram for this part of the database.

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┌─────────────────┐        ┌─────────────────┐
│                 │        │                 │
│    EMPLOYER     │        │     WORKER      │
│                 │        │                 │
└─────────────────┘        └─────────────────┘




┌─────────────────┐        ┌─────────────────┐
│                 │        │                 │
│  CONTRACT_TYPE  │        │    CONTRACT     │
│                 │        │                 │
└─────────────────┘        └─────────────────┘
```
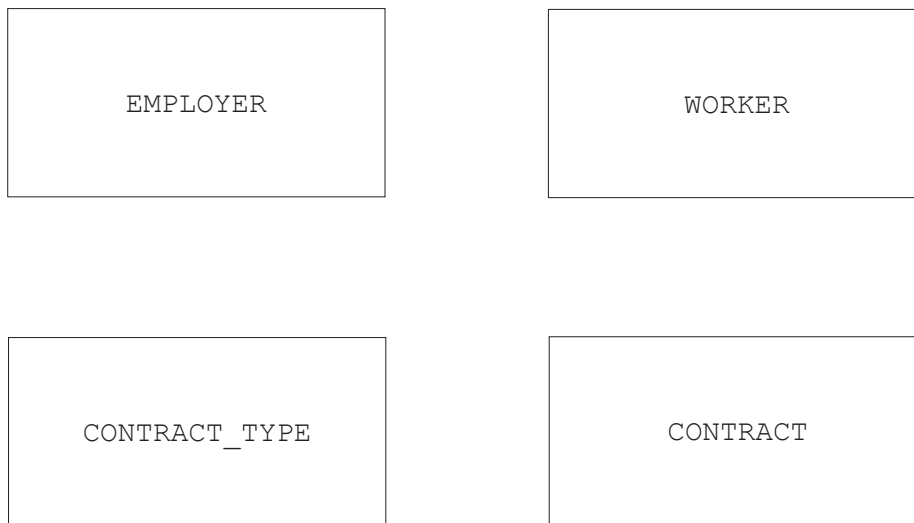
[3]

(b) Write a Data Definition Language (DDL) statement to change the CONTRACT table to remove the attribute RefConNumber.

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.... [2]

(c) The following table has examples of DDL and Data Manipulation Language (DML) statements.

Tick (✓) **one** box in each row to identify whether each statement is an example of DML or DDL.

Statement	DML	DDL
ADD PRIMARY KEY		
ALTER TABLE		
SELECT FROM		
INNER JOIN		
CREATE DATABASE		

[2]

(d) The field `WkPhoneNumber` cannot be empty **and** must have a maximum of 14 characters.

Describe **two** ways the field `WkPhoneNumber` can be validated.

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[4]

(e) State what is meant by a **candidate key**.

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.... [1]

(f) Describe what is meant by a **secondary key**.

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.... [2]

(g) The database is stored on a magnetic hard disk.

Describe the basic internal layout and operation of a magnetic hard disk drive.

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.... [5]

9 The sequence of operations shows, in register transfer notation, the fetch stage of the fetch-execute cycle.

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1 MAR ← [PC]

2 PC ← [PC] + 1

3 MDR ← [[MAR]]

4 CIR ← [MDR]
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Write a description of each of the three register transfer notations given in the following table.

Register transfer notation	Description
MAR ← [PC]	....
PC ← [PC] + 1	....
MDR ← [[MAR]]	....

[3]

10 An 8-bit binary number can be interpreted in many ways.

(a) State the number of different values that an 8-bit unsigned binary integer can represent.

.... [1]

(b) Give the smallest **and** largest denary values that an 8-bit two's complement integer can represent.

Smallest ....

Largest ....
[2]

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

Term   **Definition**

| Pixel |

| The number of pixels wide by the number of pixels high |

| Bit depth |

| The smallest identifiable component of an image |

| Image resolution |

| Stores data about the image file, e.g. file format, number of bits per pixel, file size |

| File header |

| The number of bits used to represent each colour |

[3]

(b) The following section of a bitmap image is 10 pixels wide and 5 pixels high. In this example, each colour is represented by a letter, e.g. B is blue.

B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
Y	Y	P	Y	Y	Y	P	Y	Y	Y
R	R	M	R	P	K	T	T	R	R
B	O	P	Y	Y	Y	P	G	P	P
R	O	R	P	P	P	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) Calculate an estimate for the file size of the section of the bitmap image shown, giving your answer in bytes. Use your answer from **part (b)(i)**.

Show your working.

Working ....

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Answer .... bytes

[2]

(c) Describe how changing the colour depth of an image affects its file size.

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.... [2]

(d) The first row of pixels in the image from **part (b)** is shown:

B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B

Explain how this row of pixels can be compressed using lossless compression.

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.... [2]

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.

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.... [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 ....

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Secondary ....

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[2]

(c) The car has a resistive touchscreen for the user to select options.

Tick (✓) **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).

Instruction		Explanation
Opcode	**Operand**	
AND	#n	Bitwise AND operation of the contents of ACC with the operand
AND	<address>	Bitwise AND operation of the contents of ACC with the contents of <address>
XOR	#n	Bitwise XOR operation of the contents of ACC with the operand
XOR	<address>	Bitwise XOR operation of the contents of ACC with the contents of <address>
OR	#n	Bitwise OR operation of the contents of ACC with the operand
OR	<address>	Bitwise OR operation of the contents of ACC with the contents of <address>
<address> can be an absolute or a symbolic address # denotes a denary number, e.g. #123		

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

0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1

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

1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

Opcode .... Operand ....

[2]

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

0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1

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

1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0

Opcode .... Operand ....

[2]

(c) Convert the following positive binary integer into hexadecimal.

0 1 1 1 1 1 1 0

.... [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.

0 1 1 1 1 1 1 0

.... [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 ....

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[3]

4 A school stores personal data about its staff and students on its computer system.

(a) Explain why the school needs to keep both its data **and** its computer system secure from unauthorised access.

Data ....

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Computer system ....

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[2]

(b) Complete the table by identifying **two** security threats to the data on a computer.

Describe each threat.

Give a different prevention method for each threat.

Threat	Description	Prevention method
....	....	....
....	....	....

[6]

(c) Data is encrypted when it is transmitted within the school network, or externally such as over the internet.

Describe what is meant by encryption **and** explain why it is used.

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.... [2]

 [Turn over

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

Part of the database is shown:

```
ACTOR(ActorID, FirstName, LastName, DateOfBirth)
FILM_FACT(FilmID, FilmTitle, ReleaseDate, Category)
FILM_ACTOR(ActorID, FilmID)
```

(a) Complete the entity-relationship (E-R) diagram.

```
┌─────────────────┐          ┌─────────────────┐
│                 │          │                 │
│      ACTOR      │          │    FILM_FACT    │
│                 │          │                 │
└─────────────────┘          └─────────────────┘


              ┌─────────────────┐
              │                 │
              │   FILM_ACTOR    │
              │                 │
              └─────────────────┘
```
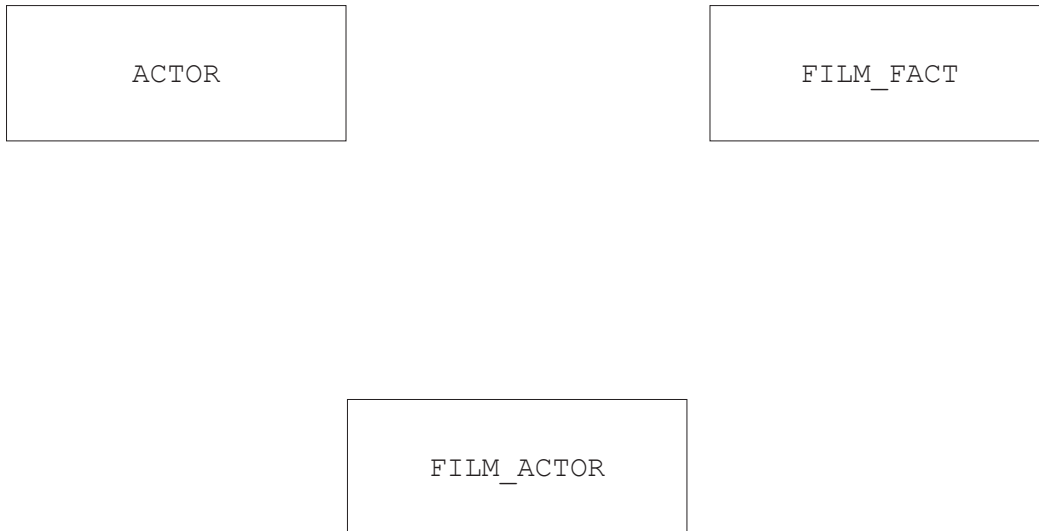
[2]

(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.

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.... [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.

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.... [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. Not all terms will be used.

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

A DBMS provides data management. This includes the development of a

.... that stores information about the data stored, such as

.... and ....

The .... uses methods, such as an E-R diagram, to show the

structure of the database and its relationships.

The .... processor allows a user to perform searches to find

specific data. The DBMS also provides a developer .... that

allows the user to create tables, forms and reports.

[6]

6 A programmer uses language translators when writing and testing a program.

(a) Describe the operation of a compiler.

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.... [2]

(b) Describe the operation of an interpreter.

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.... [2]

(c) Explain how a programmer can make use of a typical Integrated Development Environment (IDE) when writing **and** testing a program.

Writing ....

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Testing ....

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[4]

7   Complete the truth table for the following logic expression:

$$X = (A \text{ XOR } B) \text{ AND NOT } C$$

A	B	C	Working space	X
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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.... [3]

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]

(b) Describe **three** differences between fibre-optic cables and copper cables.

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3 ....

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[3]

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

Describe CSMA/CD.

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Note: An error occurs if a function call is not properly formed, or if the parameters are incorrect.

STRING Functions

```
LEFT(ThisString : STRING, x : INTEGER) RETURNS STRING
```
returns leftmost `x` characters from `ThisString`

Example: `LEFT("ABCDEFGH", 3)` returns `"ABC"`

```
RIGHT(ThisString : STRING, x : INTEGER) RETURNS STRING
```
returns rightmost `x` characters from `ThisString`

Example: `RIGHT("ABCDEFGH", 3)` returns `"FGH"`

```
MID(ThisString : STRING, x : INTEGER, y : INTEGER) RETURNS STRING
```
returns a string of length `y` starting at position `x` from `ThisString`

Example: `MID("ABCDEFGH", 2, 3)` returns `"BCD"`

```
LENGTH(ThisString : STRING) RETURNS INTEGER
```
returns the integer value representing the length of `ThisString`

Example: `LENGTH("Happy Days")` returns `10`

```
LCASE(ThisChar : CHAR) RETURNS CHAR
```
returns the character value representing the lower case equivalent of `ThisChar`
Characters that are not upper case alphabetic are returned unchanged

Example: `LCASE('W')` returns `'w'`

```
UCASE(ThisChar : CHAR) RETURNS CHAR
```
returns the character value representing the upper case equivalent of `ThisChar`
Characters that are not lower case alphabetic are returned unchanged

Example: `UCASE('a')` returns `'A'`

```
TO_UPPER(ThisString : STRING) RETURNS STRING
```
returns a string formed by converting all characters of `ThisString` to upper case

Example: `TO_UPPER("Error 803")` returns `"ERROR 803"`

```
TO_LOWER(ThisString : STRING) RETURNS STRING
```
returns a string formed by converting all characters of `ThisString` to lower case

Example: `TO_LOWER("JIM 803")` returns `"jim 803"`

```
NUM_TO_STR(x : <data type>) RETURNS STRING
```
returns a string representation of a numeric value
Note: `<data type>` may be `REAL` or `INTEGER`

Example: `NUM_TO_STR(87.5)` returns `"87.5"`

```
STR_TO_NUM(x : <data type1>) RETURNS <data type2>
```
returns a numeric representation of a string
Note: `<data type1>` may be `CHAR` or `STRING`
Note: `<data type2>` may be `REAL` or `INTEGER`

Example: `STR_TO_NUM("23.45")` returns `23.45`

```
IS_NUM(ThisString : STRING) RETURNS BOOLEAN
```
returns the value `TRUE` if `ThisString` represents a valid numeric value
Note: `<data type>` may be `CHAR` or `STRING`

Example: `IS_NUM("12.36")` returns `TRUE`
Example: `IS_NUM("-12.36")` returns `TRUE`
Example: `IS_NUM("12.3a")` returns `FALSE`

```
ASC(ThisChar : CHAR) RETURNS INTEGER
```
returns an integer value (the ASCII value) of `ThisChar`

Example: `ASC('A')` returns `65`

```
CHR(x : INTEGER) RETURNS CHAR
```
returns the character whose integer value (the ASCII value) is `x`

Example: `CHR(87)` returns `'W'`

NUMERIC Functions

```
INT(x : REAL) RETURNS INTEGER
```
returns the integer part of `x`

Example: `INT(27.5415)` returns `27`

```
RAND(x : INTEGER) RETURNS REAL
```
returns a real number in the range `0` to `x` (**not** inclusive of `x`)

Example: `RAND(87)` could return `35.43`

DATE Functions

Note: Date format is assumed to be DDMMYYYY unless otherwise stated.

```
DAY(ThisDate : DATE) RETURNS INTEGER
```
returns the current day number from `ThisDate`

Example: `DAY(4/10/2003)` returns `4`

```
MONTH(ThisDate : DATE) RETURNS INTEGER
```
returns the current month number from `ThisDate`

Example: `MONTH(4/10/2003)` returns `10`

```
YEAR(ThisDate : DATE) RETURNS INTEGER
```
returns the current year number from `ThisDate`

Example: `YEAR(4/10/2003)` returns `2003`

```
DAYINDEX(ThisDate : DATE) RETURNS INTEGER
```
returns the current day index number from `ThisDate` where Sunday = 1, Monday = 2, Tuesday = 3 etc.

Example: `DAYINDEX(12/05/2020)` returns `3`

```
SETDATE(Day, Month, Year : INTEGER) RETURNS DATE
```
returns a variable of type `DATE`

```
NOW() RETURNS DATE
```
returns the current date

OTHER Functions

```
EOF(FileName : STRING) RETURNS BOOLEAN
```
returns `TRUE` if there are no more lines to be read from file `FileName`

Note: This function will generate an ERROR if the file is not already open in `READ` mode

OPERATORS

&	Concatenates (joins) two strings Example: `"Summer" & " " & "Pudding"` evaluates to `"Summer Pudding"` Note: This operator may also be used to concatenate a character with a string
AND	Performs a logical `AND` on two Boolean values Example: `TRUE AND FALSE` evaluates to `FALSE`
OR	Performs a logical `OR` on two Boolean values Example: `TRUE OR FALSE` evaluates to `TRUE`
NOT	Performs a logical `NOT` on a Boolean value Example: `NOT TRUE` evaluates to `FALSE`
MOD	Finds the remainder when one number is divided by another Example: `10 MOD 3` evaluates to `1`
DIV	Finds the quotient when one number is divided by another Example `10 DIV 3` evaluates to `3`

Note: An error is generated if an operator is used with a value or values of an incorrect type.

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1   Anya scans an image into her computer for a school project.

(a) The scanned image is a bitmapped image.

(i)   Complete the following table to describe the two terms about graphics.

Term	Description
Pixel	....
File header	....

[2]

(ii) The image is scanned with an image resolution of 1024 × 512 pixels, and a colour depth of 8 bits per pixel.

Calculate an estimate for the file size, giving your answer in mebibytes. Show your working.

Working ....

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Answer .... mebibytes

[3]

(b) The image is compressed using lossless compression.

Identify **one** method of lossless compression that can be used to compress the image **and** describe how the method will reduce the file size.

Lossless compression method ....

Description ....

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[3]

(c) One of the colours used in the image has the hexadecimal colour code:

#FC238A

FC is the amount of red, 23 is the amount of green and 8A is the amount of blue in the colour.

(i) Convert the hexadecimal code FC into denary.

.... [1]

(ii) The amount of green in binary is 00100011. This has the denary number 15 added to it to create a second colour.

Add the denary number 15 to the binary number 00100011 and give your answer in binary.

Perform the addition in binary. Show your working.

Working ....

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Answer (in binary) ....

[3]

(iii) Hexadecimal 23 in two's complement representation is 00100011. The denary number 10 needs to be subtracted from this value.

Subtract the denary number 10 from the two's complement representation 00100011.

Give your answer in binary. Show your working.

Working ....

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Answer (in binary) ....

[3]

(d) Anya made sure that the image was not subject to any copyright before scanning it.

Describe what is meant by **copyright**.

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.... [2]

2 Bingwen's computer comes with an Operating System and utility software.

(a) Draw **one** line from each utility software to its correct description.

Utility software	Description

| | Scans software for errors and repairs the problems |

| Disk formatter | Moves parts of files so that each file is contiguous in memory |

| Defragmentation | Creates a copy of data that is no longer required |

| Back-up | Sets up a disk so it is ready to store files |

| Disk repair | Scans for errors in a disk and corrects them |

| | Creates a copy of data in case the original is lost |

[4]

(b) Identify **four** key management tasks that the Operating System will perform.

1 ....

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[4]

3 A processor has one general purpose register, the Accumulator (ACC), and several special purpose registers.

(a) Complete the following description of the role of the registers in the fetch-execute cycle by writing the missing registers.

The .... holds the address of the next instruction

to be loaded. This address is sent to the ....

The .... holds the data fetched from this address.

This data is sent to the .... and the Control Unit

decodes the instruction's opcode.

The .... is incremented.

[5]

(b) The following table shows part of the instruction set for a processor. The processor has one general purpose register, the Accumulator (ACC), and an Index Register (IX).

Instruction		Explanation
Opcode	**Operand**	
LDM	#n	Immediate addressing. Load the number n to ACC
LDD	<address>	Direct addressing. Load the contents of the location at the given address to ACC
LDI	<address>	Indirect addressing: The address to be used is at the given address. Load the contents of this second address to ACC
LDX	<address>	Indexed addressing. Form the address from <address> + the contents of the Index Register. Copy the contents of this calculated address to ACC
LDR	#n	Immediate addressing. Load the number n to IX
MOV	<register>	Move the contents of the accumulator to the given register (IX)
STO	<address>	Store contents of ACC at the given address
ADD	<address>	Add the contents of the given address to the ACC
INC	<register>	Add 1 to the contents of the register (ACC or IX)
CMP	<address>	Compare the contents of ACC with the contents of <address>
JPE	<address>	Following a compare instruction, jump to <address> if the compare was True
JPN	<address>	Following a compare instruction, jump to <address> if the compare was False
JMP	<address>	Jump to the given address
OUT		Output to the screen the character whose ASCII value is stored in ACC
END		Return control to the operating system
LSL	#n	Bits in ACC are shifted logically n places to the left. Zeros are introduced on the right hand end
LSR	#n	Bits in ACC are shifted logically n places to the right. Zeros are introduced on the left hand end
<address> can be an absolute address or a symbolic address # denotes a denary number, e.g. #123		

The current contents of the main memory and selected values from the ASCII character set are shown.

Address **Instruction**

Address	Instruction
200	LDD 365
201	CMP 366
202	JPE 209
203	INC ACC
204	STO 365
205	MOV IX
206	LDX 365
207	OUT
208	JMP 200
209	END
...	
365	1
366	3
367	65
368	66
IX	0

ASCII code table (selected codes only)

ASCII code	Character
65	A
66	B
67	C
68	D

Complete the trace table for the program currently in main memory.

Instruction address	ACC	Memory address				IX	Output
		365	366	367	368		
		1	3	65	66	0	

[6]

(c) (i) The Accumulator currently contains the binary number:

0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1

Write the contents of the Accumulator after the processor has executed the following instruction:

LSL #2

[1]

(ii) The Accumulator currently contains the binary number:

0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1

Identify the mathematical operation that the following instruction will perform on the contents of the accumulator.

LSR #3

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.... [1]

4 Melinda and her friends set up a peer-to-peer network between their computers to share data.

(a) Describe the key features of a peer-to-peer network.

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.... [2]

(b) Describe **two** drawbacks to Melinda and her friends of using a peer-to-peer network.

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[4]

(c) Melinda connects her laptop to the internet through her router.

(i) Tick (✓) **one** box in each row to identify whether the task is performed by the router or not.

Task	Performed by router	Not performed by router
Receives packets from devices		
Finds the IP address of a Uniform Resource Locator (URL)		
Directs each packet to all devices attached to it		
Stores the IP and/or MAC address of all devices attached to it		

[2]

(ii) Melinda mainly uses the internet to watch films and play computer games.

Tick (✓) **one** box to identify whether Melinda should connect to the router using a wired or wireless network **and** justify your choice.

Wired	
Wireless	

Justification ....

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.... [3]

(d) Melinda sends emails from her webmail account (email account accessed through a website).

Explain whether Melinda is using the internet, or the World Wide Web (WWW), or both.

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.... [3]

5 Kiara has a washing machine and a refrigerator.

(a) She has an embedded system in her washing machine.

Describe what is meant by an **embedded system**, using the washing machine as an example.

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.... [2]

(b) The washing machine's embedded system makes use of both Random Access Memory (RAM) and Read Only Memory (ROM).

State the purpose of RAM and ROM within the washing machine's embedded system.

RAM ....

....

ROM ....

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                                                                                                                    [2]

(c) The temperature in her refrigerator must be kept between 4 and 6 degrees Celsius.

The microprocessor in the refrigerator turns on the cooling if the temperature is too high, and turns off the cooling if the temperature is too low.

Explain why the system in the refrigerator is a control and not a monitoring system.

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.... [2]

6 Each of the following algorithms performs data validation.

State the type of validation check that each of the algorithms performs.

(a)

```
INPUT x

IF x < 0 OR x > 10 THEN

  OUTPUT "Invalid"

ENDIF
```

.... [1]

(b)

```
INPUT x

IF x = "" THEN

  OUTPUT "Invalid"

ENDIF
```

.... [1]

(c)

```
INPUT x

IF NOT(x = "Red" OR x = "Yellow" OR x = "Blue") THEN

  OUTPUT "Invalid"

ENDIF
```

.... [1]

7 Bobby and Kim are discussing databases.

(a) Bobby tells Kim that a file-based approach is usually better than a relational database.

Explain why Bobby is incorrect.

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.... [3]

(b) Bobby has a shop that sells products to customers. His database will store data about his customers, their payment details, orders and the products he sells. Customers will have login details to access their accounts. The database will update customers' payment and login details without keeping any historical records.

(i) Give **one** example of each of the following relationships from Bobby's database.

one-to-one

....

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one-to-many

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many-to-many

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[3]

(ii) Tick (✓) **one** box to identify the relationship that cannot be directly implemented in a normalised relational database.

Relationship	Tick (✓)
one-to-one	
one-to-many	
many-to-many	

[1]

(iii) Bobby wants to name his database SHOPORDERS.

Write a Data Definition Language (DDL) statement to define a new database with the name SHOPORDERS.

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.... [1]

(c) A database has a data dictionary.

Give **three** items that are stored in a data dictionary.

1 ....

2 ....

3 ....

[3]

8 Tick (✓) **one** box in each row to identify the logic gate that each statement describes.

Statement	AND	NAND	NOR	XOR	OR
The output is 1 only when both inputs are 1					
The output is 1 only when both inputs are different					
The output is 1 only when both inputs are 0					

[3]

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1 **(a)** Draw **one** line from each binary value to its equivalent (same) value on the right.

Binary value

8 bits

8000 bits

1000 kilobytes

1024 mebibytes

8192 bits

1 kibibyte

1 gigabyte

1 byte

1 kilobyte

1 gibibyte

1 megabyte

1 mebibyte

[5]

(b) **(i)** Perform the following binary addition. Show your working.

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10101010

+ 00110111

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[2]

(ii) State how an overflow can occur when adding two binary integers.

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(c) Convert the hexadecimal value F0 into denary.

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2 Xanthe wants to maintain the integrity and security of data stored on her computer.

(a) Explain the difference between data security and data integrity.

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(b) Xanthe uses both data validation and data verification when entering data on her computer.

(i) Describe how data validation helps to protect the integrity of the data. Give an example in your answer.

Description ....

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Example ....
[2]

(ii) Describe how data verification helps to protect the integrity of the data. Give an example in your answer.

Description ....

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Example ....
[2]

(c) Two malware threats are spyware and viruses.

Give **two** similarities and **one** difference between spyware and a virus.
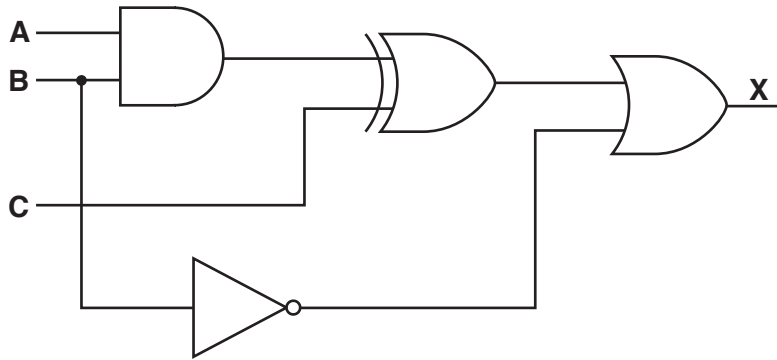
Similarity 1 ....

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Similarity 2 ....

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Difference ....

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[3]

3 A logic circuit is shown:

(a) Write the logic expression for the logic circuit.

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.... [3]

(b) Complete the truth table for the given logic circuit.

A	B	C	Working space	X
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]

(c) Identify **one** logic gate **not** used in the given logic circuit. Draw the symbol for the logic gate **and** complete its truth table.

Logic gate: ………………………….

Symbol:

Truth table:

A	B	Output
0	0	
0	1	
1	0	
1	1	

[3]

4 Francis is starting his first job as a software developer for a multinational company.

(a) Francis has been advised to join a professional ethical body.

Describe the benefits to Francis of joining a professional ethical body.

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(b) Francis is shown the software he will be working on. He is unfamiliar with the Integrated Development Environment (IDE) he is required to use.

(i) Describe the ways in which Francis can act ethically in this situation.

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(ii) A typical IDE provides debugging tools to support the testing of a program.

Identify **three** other tools or features found in a typical IDE to support the writing of the program.

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[3]

(c) Francis is part of a team writing a program. He finds an error in part of the program that has already been tested. He decides not to tell anyone because he is worried about the consequences.

Explain the reasons why Francis acted unethically in this situation.

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(d) Francis's team use language translators.

Complete the descriptions of language translators by writing the missing words.

.... are usually used when a high-level language program is complete. They translate all the code at the same time and then run the program.

They produce .... files that can be run without the source code.

.... translate one line of a high-level language program at a time, and then run that line of code. They are most useful while developing the programs because errors can be corrected and then the program continues from that line.

Assemblers are used to translate assembly code into ....

[4]

5 Javier owns many shops that sell cars. He employs several managers who are each in charge of one or more shops. He uses the relational database `CARS` to store the data about his business.

Part of the database is shown:

`SHOP(ShopID, ManagerID, Address, Town, TelephoneNumber)`

`MANAGER(ManagerID, FirstName, LastName, DateOfBirth, Wage)`

`CAR(RegistrationNumber, Make, Model, NumberOfMiles, ShopID)`

(a) Tick (✓) **one** box in each row to identify whether each field is a primary key or a foreign key.

Table	Field name	Primary key	Foreign key
MANAGER	ManagerID		
SHOP	ManagerID		
CAR	RegistrationNumber		
CAR	ShopID		

[2]

(b) Describe the ways in which access rights can be used to protect the data in Javier's database from unauthorised access.

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(c) Javier uses Data Definition Language (DDL) and Data Manipulation Language (DML) statements in his database.

(i) Complete the following DML statements to return the number of cars for sale in each shop.

`SELECT COUNT(`..`)`

`FROM` ....

.... `ShopID`

[3]

(ii) Complete the DML statement to include the following car in the table `CAR`.

Field	Data
RegistrationNumber	123AA
Make	Tiger
Model	Lioness
NumberOfMiles	10500
ShopID	12BSTREET

.... `CAR`

.... `("123AA","Tiger","Lioness",10500,"12BSTREET")`

[2]

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6 (a) There are **two** errors in the following register transfer notation for the fetch-execute cycle.

```
1   MAR ←[PC]

2   PC ← [PC] – 1

3   MDR ← [MAR]

4   CIR ← [MDR]
```

Complete the following table by:

- identifying the line number of each error
- describing the error
- writing the correct statement.

Line number	Description of the error	Correct statement

[4]

 [Turn over

(b) The following table shows part of the instruction set for a processor. The processor has one general purpose register, the Accumulator (ACC), and an Index Register (IX).

Instruction		Explanation
Opcode	**Operand**	
LDM	#n	Immediate addressing. Load the number n to ACC
LDD	<address>	Direct addressing. Load the contents of the location at the given address to ACC
STO	<address>	Store the contents of ACC at the given address
INC	<register>	Add 1 to the contents of the register (ACC or IX)
CMP	<address>	Compare the contents of ACC with the contents of <address>
JPN	<address>	Following a compare instruction, jump to <address> if the compare was False
JMP	<address>	Jump to the given address
IN		Key in a character and store its ASCII value in ACC
OUT		Output to the screen the character whose ASCII value is stored in ACC
END		Return control to the operating system
XOR	#n	Bitwise XOR operation of the contents of ACC with the operand
XOR	<address>	Bitwise XOR operation of the contents of ACC with the contents of <address>
AND	#n	Bitwise AND operation of the contents of ACC with the operand
AND	<address>	Bitwise AND operation of the contents of ACC with the contents of <address>
OR	#n	Bitwise OR operation of the contents of ACC with the operand
OR	<address>	Bitwise OR operation of the contents of ACC with the contents of <address>
LSL	#n	Bits in ACC are shifted logically n places to the left. Zeros are introduced on the right hand end
LSR	#n	Bits in ACC are shifted logically n places to the right. Zeros are introduced on the left hand end

<address> can be an absolute or symbolic address
# denotes a denary number, e.g. #123
B denotes a binary number, e.g. B01001101

The current contents of main memory are shown:

Address	Data
100	00001111
101	11110000
102	01010101
103	11111111
104	00000000

Each row of the following table shows the current contents of ACC in binary and the instruction that will be performed on those contents.

Complete the table by writing the new contents of the ACC after the execution of each instruction.

Current contents of the ACC	Instruction	New contents of the ACC
11111111	OR 101	11111111
00000000	XOR #15	00001111
10101010	LSR #2	00101010
01010101	AND 104	01000000

[4]

7 Bobby is recording a sound file for his school project.

(a) He repeats the recording of the sound several times, with a different sample rate each time.

(i) Describe the reasons why the sound is closer to the original when a higher sample rate is used.

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.... [2]

(ii) Describe the reasons why the sound file size increases when a higher sample rate is used.

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(b) Bobby wants to email the sound file to his school email address. He compresses the file before sending the email.

(i) Explain the reasons why Bobby compresses the sound file.

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(ii) Bobby uses lossless compression.

Describe how lossless compression can compress the sound file.

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8 A school is setting up a network within one of its buildings.

(a) State whether the network will be a LAN (local area network) or a WAN (wide area network). Justify your choice.

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(b) One classroom in the building has 30 computers. The computers need to be connected to the network. Each computer has a network interface card (NIC).

Identify **two** possible devices that can be used to physically connect the 30 computers to the rest of the network.

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[2]

(c) The school has several laptops. Each laptop has a Wireless Network Interface Card (WNIC).

Describe the functions of a Wireless Network Interface Card.

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1 (a) Draw **one** line from each vector graphic term to its most appropriate description.

Term	Description
Term	**Description**

drawing list   a component created using a formula

drawing object   defines one characteristic of a component

property   data required to create all components in the graphic

[2]

(b) State what is meant by the **bit depth** of a bitmap image **and** explain how changing the bit depth affects the image.

Definition ....

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Explanation ....

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[3]

(c) Explain why a bitmap image is often compressed before it is attached to an email.

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2 A school has a Local Area Network (LAN).

(a) The LAN connects to the internet using a router.

Describe the function of a router in a network.

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(b) Complete the following table by writing the purpose of each of these other hardware devices used to support the LAN.

Hardware device	Purpose
switch	....
Wireless Access Point (WAP)	....
bridge	....

[3]

(c) The students can save their school files on a public cloud.

Identify **two** drawbacks of the students storing their files on the public cloud.

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[2]

(d) A new classroom is being set up with 20 computers and a switch.

Explain **one** advantage of implementing a star topology instead of a bus topology in the new classroom.

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.... [2]

3 A shop manager has designed a relational database to store customer orders.

The database will have the following tables:

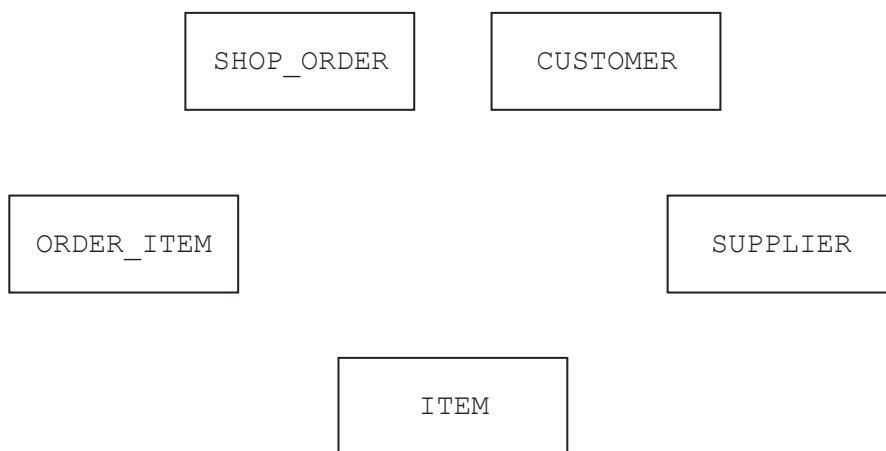CUSTOMER(<u>CustomerID</u>, FirstName, LastName, Town)

SHOP_ORDER(<u>OrderNo</u>, CustomerID, OrderDate)

SUPPLIER(<u>SupplierID</u>, EmailAddress, TelephoneNumber)

ITEM(<u>ItemNumber</u>, SupplierID, Description, Price)

ORDER_ITEM(<u>ItemNumber</u>, <u>OrderNo</u>, Quantity)

(a) Complete the entity-relationship (E-R) diagram for the relational database.

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┌──────────────┐      ┌──────────────┐
│  SHOP_ORDER  │      │   CUSTOMER   │
└──────────────┘      └──────────────┘


┌──────────────┐                ┌──────────────┐
│  ORDER_ITEM  │                │   SUPPLIER   │
└──────────────┘                └──────────────┘


          ┌──────────────┐
          │     ITEM     │
          └──────────────┘
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[3]

(b) Identify **three** advantages of a relational database compared to a file-based approach.

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[3]

(c) (i) Write a Structured Query Language (SQL) script to define the database called SHOP.

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(ii) Write the SQL script to return the total quantity of items that the customer with the ID of HJ231 has ordered.

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4 (a) Complete the truth table for the logic expression:

X = NOT (**A** NAND **B**) XOR (NOT **B** AND (**B** NOR **C**))

A	B	C	Working space	X
0	0	0		1
0	0	1		0
0	1	0		0
0	1	1		0
1	0	0		1
1	0	1		0
1	1	0		1
1	1	1		1

[2]

(b) Draw a logic circuit for the logic expression:

X = (**A** AND NOT (**B** OR **C**)) AND (**B** NOR **C**)

[2]

5 The Central Processing Unit (CPU) of the basic Von Neumann model for a computer system contains several special purpose registers.

(a) The Memory Data Register (MDR), Index Register (IX) and the Accumulator (ACC) are examples of special purpose registers.

Identify **two other** special purpose registers **and** state their role in the CPU.

Special purpose register 1 ....

Role ....

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Special purpose register 2 ....

Role ....

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[4]

(b) Describe what is meant by the **Immediate Access Store (IAS)** in a computer system.

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.... [2]

(c) A computer has a single 2.1 GHz CPU.

(i) Describe how increasing the clock speed to 4 GHz can increase the performance of the computer.

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(ii) A second computer has a CPU with two 2.1 GHz cores.

Explain why the second computer does not always run twice as fast as the computer with one 2.1 GHz CPU.

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6 A programmer uses both a compiler and an interpreter to translate a program written in a high-level language.

(a) Describe the advantages of using the interpreter compared to the compiler to translate the program.

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(b) State **one** reason why some high-level languages are partially compiled and partially interpreted.

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(c) (i) Identify **two** features that support the visual presentation of the code in a typical Integrated Development Environment (IDE).

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[2]

(ii) Identify **two** features that support the debugging of the code in a typical IDE.

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[2]

7 (a) Describe the principal operations of a 3D printer.

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.... [3]

(b) Describe the purpose of a temperature sensor within the 3D printer.

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(c) A 3D printer contains 1 GB of Dynamic RAM (DRAM) to store print data.

State **two** advantages of the printer having Dynamic RAM instead of Static RAM (SRAM).

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[2]

8 (a) Identify the purpose of the first pass of a two-pass assembler.

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(b) The following table shows part of the instruction set for a processor. The processor has two registers, the Accumulator (ACC) and the Index Register (IX).

Instruction		Explanation
Opcode	**Operand**	
LDR	#n	Immediate addressing. Load the number n to IX
STO	<address>	Store contents of ACC at the given address
ADD	<address>	Add the contents of the given address to the ACC
INC	<register>	Add 1 to the contents of the register (ACC or IX)
CMP	#n	Compare the contents of ACC with number n
JPE	<address>	Following a compare instruction, jump to <address> if the compare was True
OUT		Output to the screen the character whose ASCII value is stored in ACC
<address> can be an absolute or symbolic address # denotes a denary number, e.g. #123		

(i) Give **one** example of an instruction that belongs to **each** of the following instruction groups.

Only use the instructions given in the table. Each instruction must have a suitable operand.

Data movement ....

Arithmetic operation ....

Conditional instruction ....

[3]

(ii) The instruction LDR #2 uses immediate addressing.

Give **one** similarity and **one** difference between direct addressing and indexed addressing.

Similarity ....

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Difference ....

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[2]

(iii) Identify **one other** mode of addressing.

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.... [1]

(c) The following table shows another part of the instruction set for the same processor.

Instruction		Explanation
Opcode	**Operand**	
AND	Bn	Bitwise AND operation of the contents of ACC with the operand
XOR	Bn	Bitwise XOR operation of the contents of ACC with the operand
LSR	#n	Bits in ACC are shifted logically n places to the right. Zeros are introduced on the left hand end
# denotes a denary number, e.g. #123 B denotes a binary number, e.g. B01001101		

(i) The current contents of the ACC are:

0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1

Show the contents of the ACC after the execution of the following instruction.

AND B10100101

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[1]

(ii) The current contents of the ACC are:

0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1

Show the contents of the ACC after the execution of the following instruction.

LSR #3

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[1]

(iii) The current contents of the ACC are:

1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1

Show the contents of the ACC after the execution of the following instruction.

`XOR B00100101`

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1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0

[1]

9 (a) Explain the importance of feedback in a control system.

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(b) Give **one** example of an embedded system **and** explain why it is an example of an embedded system.

Example ....

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Explanation ....

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[3]

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COMPUTER SCIENCE **9618/21**

Paper 2 Fundamental Problem-solving and Programming Skills **May/June 2021**

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Note: An error occurs if a function call is not properly formed, or if the parameters are incorrect.

STRING Functions

```
LEFT(ThisString : STRING, x : INTEGER) RETURNS STRING
returns leftmost x characters from ThisString

Example: LEFT("ABCDEFGH", 3) returns "ABC"
```

```
RIGHT(ThisString : STRING, x : INTEGER) RETURNS STRING
returns rightmost x characters from ThisString

Example: RIGHT("ABCDEFGH", 3) returns "FGH"
```

```
MID(ThisString : STRING, x : INTEGER, y : INTEGER) RETURNS STRING
returns a string of length y starting at position x from ThisString

Example: MID("ABCDEFGH", 2, 3) returns "BCD"
```

```
LENGTH(ThisString : STRING) RETURNS INTEGER
returns the integer value representing the length of ThisString

Example: LENGTH("Happy Days") returns 10
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```
LCASE(ThisChar : CHAR) RETURNS CHAR
returns the character value representing the lower case equivalent of ThisChar
Characters that are not upper case alphabetic are returned unchanged

Example: LCASE('W') returns 'w'
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```
UCASE(ThisChar : CHAR) RETURNS CHAR
returns the character value representing the upper case equivalent of ThisChar
Characters that are not lower case alphabetic are returned unchanged

Example: UCASE('a') returns 'A'
```

```
TO_UPPER(ThisString : STRING) RETURNS STRING
returns a string formed by converting all characters of ThisString to upper case

Example: TO_UPPER("Error 803") returns "ERROR 803"
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```
TO_LOWER(ThisString : STRING) RETURNS STRING
returns a string formed by converting all characters of ThisString to lower case

Example: TO_LOWER("JIM 803") returns "jim 803"
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NUM_TO_STR(x : <data type>) RETURNS STRING
returns a string representation of a numeric value
Note: <data type> may be REAL or INTEGER

Example: NUM_TO_STR(87.5) returns "87.5"
```

```
STR_TO_NUM(x : <data type1>) RETURNS <data type2>
```
returns a numeric representation of a string
Note: `<data type1>` may be `CHAR` or `STRING`
Note: `<data type2>` may be `REAL` or `INTEGER`

Example: `STR_TO_NUM("23.45")` returns `23.45`

```
IS_NUM(ThisString : STRING) RETURNS BOOLEAN
```
returns the value `TRUE` if `ThisString` represents a valid numeric value
Note: `<data type>` may be `CHAR` or `STRING`

Example: `IS_NUM("12.36")` returns `TRUE`
Example: `IS_NUM("-12.36")` returns `TRUE`
Example: `IS_NUM("12.3a")` returns `FALSE`

```
ASC(ThisChar : CHAR) RETURNS INTEGER
```
returns an integer value (the ASCII value) of `ThisChar`

Example: `ASC('A')` returns `65`

```
CHR(x : INTEGER) RETURNS CHAR
```
returns the character whose integer value (the ASCII value) is `x`

Example: `CHR(87)` returns `'W'`

NUMERIC Functions

```
INT(x : REAL) RETURNS INTEGER
```
returns the integer part of `x`

Example: `INT(27.5415)` returns `27`

```
RAND(x : INTEGER) RETURNS REAL
```
returns a real number in the range `0` to `x` (**not** inclusive of `x`)

Example: `RAND(87)` could return `35.43`

DATE Functions

Note: Date format is assumed to be DDMMYYYY unless otherwise stated.

```
DAY(ThisDate : DATE) RETURNS INTEGER
```
returns the current day number from `ThisDate`

Example: `DAY(4/10/2003)` returns `4`

```
MONTH(ThisDate : DATE) RETURNS INTEGER
```
returns the current month number from `ThisDate`

Example: `MONTH(4/10/2003)` returns `10`

```
YEAR(ThisDate : DATE) RETURNS INTEGER
```
returns the current year number from `ThisDate`

Example: `YEAR(4/10/2003)` returns `2003`

```
DAYINDEX(ThisDate : DATE) RETURNS INTEGER
```
returns the current day index number from `ThisDate` where Sunday = 1, Monday = 2, Tuesday = 3 etc.

Example: `DAYINDEX(12/05/2020)` returns `3`

```
SETDATE(Day, Month, Year : INTEGER) RETURNS DATE
```
returns a variable of type `DATE`

```
NOW() RETURNS DATE
```
returns the current date

OTHER Functions

```
EOF(FileName : STRING) RETURNS BOOLEAN
```
returns `TRUE` if there are no more lines to be read from file `FileName`

Note: This function will generate an ERROR if the file is not already open in `READ` mode

OPERATORS

&	Concatenates (joins) two strings Example: `"Summer" & " " & "Pudding"` evaluates to `"Summer Pudding"` Note: This operator may also be used to concatenate a character with a string	
AND	Performs a logical `AND` on two Boolean values Example: `TRUE AND FALSE` evaluates to `FALSE`	
OR	Performs a logical `OR` on two Boolean values Example: `TRUE OR FALSE` evaluates to `TRUE`	
NOT	Performs a logical `NOT` on a Boolean value Example: `NOT TRUE` evaluates to `FALSE`	
MOD	Finds the remainder when one number is divided by another Example: `10 MOD 3` evaluates to `1`	
DIV	Finds the quotient when one number is divided by another Example `10 DIV 3` evaluates to `3`	

Note: An error is generated if an operator is used with a value or values of an incorrect type.

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1 Computers store data in binary form.

(a) State the difference between a tebibyte and a terabyte.

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(b) Convert the signed denary value –100 into an 8-bit two's complement binary integer.

Working ....

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Answer .... [1]

(c) Convert the denary number 251 into hexadecimal. Show your working.

Working ....

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Answer ....

[2]

(d) Add the following unsigned binary integers.

0 1 0 1 0 0 0 0

+ 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 0

[1]

2 A computer has hardware and software.

(a) The hardware includes different types of memory.

(i) Complete the description of computer memory.

Random Access Memory (RAM) and Read Only Memory (ROM) are both examples of

.... memory.

One item that is stored in RAM is ....

One item that is stored in ROM is ....

RAM can be either Static RAM (SRAM) or Dynamic RAM (DRAM).

SRAM uses transistors arranged as ....

DRAM uses transistors and ....

[5]

(ii) Explain the difference between Programmable ROM (PROM), Erasable Programmable ROM (EPROM) and Electrically Erasable Programmable ROM (EEPROM).

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(b) A magnetic hard disk is used to store data on the computer.

Describe the principal operations of a magnetic hard disk.

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(c) Computers consist of logic gates.

(i) Complete the table by writing **one** set of values (input 1 and input 2) for each gate that will give the output 1.

Gate	Input 1	Input 2	Output
AND			1
NAND			1
XOR			1
NOR			1

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(ii) Write the logic expression for the given logic circuit.

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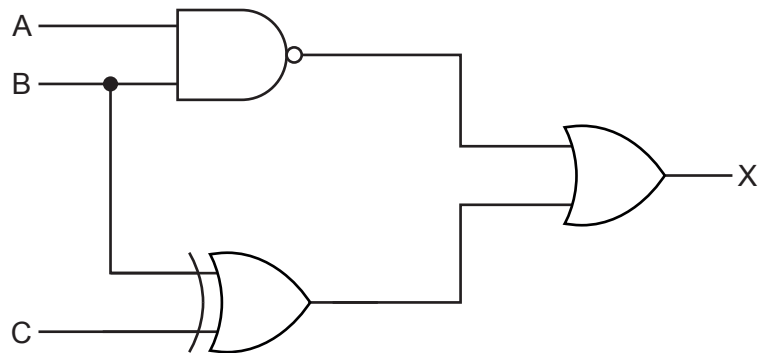
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3 A teacher is writing examination papers on a laptop computer. The computer is connected to the internet. The teacher is concerned about the security and privacy of the papers.

(a) State the difference between the security of data and the privacy of data.

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(b) Identify **and** describe **two** threats to the data. Identify **one** security measure to protect against each threat. Each security measure must be different.

Threat 1 ....

Description ....

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Security measure ....

Threat 2 ....

Description ....

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Security measure ....

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4 A teacher uses a relational database, MARKS, to store data about students and their test marks.

The database has the following structure:

STUDENT(<u>StudentID</u>, FirstName, LastName)

TEST(<u>TestID</u>, Description, TotalMarks)

STUDENT_TEST(<u>StudentID</u>, <u>TestID</u>, Mark)

(a) Describe the advantages of using a relational database compared to a file-based approach.

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(b) Give the highest level of Normal Form (NF) the database MARKS is in **and** justify your choice.

Normal Form ....

Justification ....

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(c) (i) Sample data to be stored in the table STUDENT_TEST is shown.

StudentID	TestID	Mark
12	A1	50
12	P10	100
13	A1	75
14	P10	60

Write a Structured Query Language (SQL) script to create the table STUDENT_TEST.

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(ii) Write a Structured Query Language (SQL) script to find the average mark of students in test A7.

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(d) The mark a student is awarded in a test will be entered into the database. This mark needs to be a whole number between 0 and the maximum number of marks for that test (inclusive).

Explain how data validation **and** data verification can be used when a mark is entered.

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5 A programmer uses an Integrated Development Environment (IDE) to develop a program.

(a) Draw **one** line from each IDE feature to its correct description.

IDE feature	Description
Context-sensitive prompt	Executes one line of the program and then stops
Dynamic syntax check	Underlines or highlights statements that do not meet the rules of the language
Breakpoint	Outputs the contents of variables and data structures
Single stepping	Stops the code executing at a set line
Report window	Displays predictions of the code being entered

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(b) The programmer wants to allow users to edit, improve and redistribute the program.

Identify **two** different types of software licence that the programmer could use.

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(c) Explain the benefits to the programmer of using program libraries.

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6 (a) A computer system is designed using the basic Von Neumann model.

(i) Describe the role of the registers in the Fetch-Execute (F-E) cycle.

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(ii) Describe when interrupts are detected in the F-E cycle **and** how the interrupts are handled.

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Handled ....

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(b) Identify **one** factor that can affect the performance of the computer system **and** state how it impacts the performance.

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Question 6 continues on the next page.

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

Instruction		Explanation
Opcode	**Operand**	
AND	#n	Bitwise AND operation of the contents of ACC with the operand
XOR	#n	Bitwise XOR operation of the contents of ACC with the operand
OR	#n	Bitwise OR operation of the contents of ACC with the operand
LSL	#n	Bits in ACC are shifted logically n places to the left. Zeros are introduced on the right hand end
LSR	#n	Bits in ACC are shifted logically n places to the right. Zeros are introduced on the left hand end
# denotes a denary number, e.g. #123		

(i) Complete the register to show the result **after** the instruction AND #2 is executed.

Register before:

0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1

Register after:

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(ii) Complete the register to show the result **after** the instruction OR #8 is executed.

Register before:

0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1

Register after:

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(iii) Complete the register to show the result **after** the operation `LSL #4` is executed.

Register before:

0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1

Register after:

1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0

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- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
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1 When designing computer systems, it is important to consider the security, integrity and privacy of the data.

Draw **one** line from each measure to indicate whether it keeps data secure or protects the integrity of data.

Measure

Firewall

Double entry

Presence check

Access rights

Password

Data Security

Data Integrity

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2 **(a)** Complete the truth table for each of the following two logic gates.
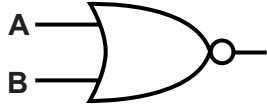
A	B	Output
0	0	
0	1	
1	0	
1	1	
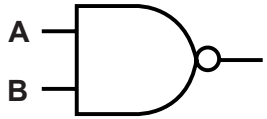
A	B	Output
0	0	
0	1	
1	0	
1	1	

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(b) Draw a logic circuit for the following logic expression.

X = NOT(NOT(**A** AND **B**)AND **C**)

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3 Andy likes to play computer games.

(a) Andy uses several input devices to play the games. These include a keyboard and a microphone.

Describe the principal operation of a microphone.

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(b) Andy plays some of the computer games over the internet. He has several devices that connect wirelessly to the router in his house.

(i) Identify the topology of Andy's home network. Justify your choice.

Topology ....

Justification ....

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[2]

(ii) The router has a wireless access point (WAP) to allow the devices to connect wirelessly.

Identify **three** functions of the router in Andy's network.

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4 A register stores the following binary number:

1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1

(a) The binary value in the register represents an unsigned binary integer.

Convert the unsigned binary integer into denary.

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(b) The binary value in the register represents a two's complement binary integer.

Convert the two's complement binary integer into denary.

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(c) The binary value in the register represents a hexadecimal number.

Convert the binary number into hexadecimal.

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(d) State why the value in the register cannot be interpreted as a Binary Coded Decimal (BCD).

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(e) The binary contents of **two** registers are:

Register 1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1
Register 2	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1

(i) Add the contents of **Register 1** and **Register 2**. Show your working.

Answer ....

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(ii) Subtract the contents of **Register 2** from the contents of **Register 1**. Show your working.

Answer ....

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5 Riya has created the following logo as a vector graphic.

(a) Complete the table by writing a description of each vector graphic term **and** give an example for this logo.

Term	Description	Example from logo
Property		
Drawing list		

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(b) Riya takes a photograph using a digital camera. The photograph is stored as a bitmap image.

(i) Describe **two** differences between a vector graphic and a bitmap image.

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(ii) Riya needs to email the photograph. She compresses the photograph before sending it using an email.

Describe **two** lossy methods that Riya can use to compress the image.

Method 1 ....

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Method 2 ....

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6 A shop sells plants to customers. The shop manager has a relational database to keep track of the sales.

The database, PLANTSALES, has the following structure:

PLANT(<u>PlantName</u>, QuantityInStock, Cost)

CUSTOMER(<u>CustomerID</u>, FirstName, LastName, Address, Email)

PURCHASE(<u>PurchaseID</u>, CustomerID)

PURCHASE_ITEM(<u>PurchaseID</u>, <u>PlantName</u>, Quantity)

(a) The database is normalised.

(i) The table lists the following three stages of normalisation:

- The first stage is from a database that is not normalised (0NF) to First Normal Form (1NF).
- The second stage is from 1NF to Second Normal Form (2NF).
- The third stage is from 2NF to Third Normal Form (3NF).

Tick (✓) **one** box in each row to identify the appropriate stage for each task.

Task	Normalisation stage		
	0NF to 1NF	1NF to 2NF	2NF to 3NF
Remove any partial key dependencies			
Remove any repeating groups of attributes			
Remove any non-key dependencies			

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(ii) Draw an entity-relationship (E-R) diagram for the database PLANTSALES.

PLANT		CUSTOMER

PURCHASE_ITEM		PURCHASE
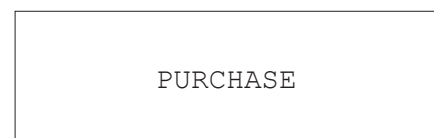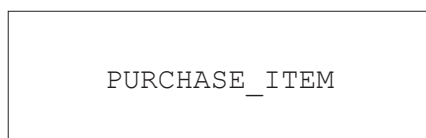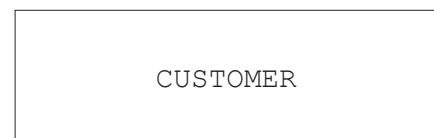
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(b) The shop manager uses a Database Management System (DBMS).

Describe the purpose **and** contents of the data dictionary in the DBMS.

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(c) The shop manager uses both Data Definition Language (DDL) and Data Manipulation Language (DML) statements to create and search the database.

(i) Complete the DML statements to return the total number of items purchased with the purchase ID of 3011A.

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SELECT SUM(................................................)

FROM ..............................................

WHERE ............................................. = .............................................;
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(ii) Write DDL statements to include a field in the table `PURCHASE` to store the date of the order.

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7 A computer has system software.

(a) The Operating System handles interrupts.

Tick (✓) **one** box in each row to identify whether each event is an example of a hardware interrupt or a software interrupt.

Event	Hardware interrupt	Software interrupt
Buffer full		
Printer is out of paper		
User has pressed a key on the keyboard		
Division by zero		
Power failure		
Stack overflow		

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(b) Describe the file management tasks that an Operating System performs.

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(c) Identify **two** utility programs that can be used to improve the performance of a computer **and** state how they improve the performance.

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8 The Von Neumann model for a computer system uses registers.

(a) Describe the role of the following special purpose registers in the fetch-execute (F-E) cycle.

(i) Memory Address Register (MAR) ....

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Memory Data Register (MDR) ....

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(ii) Another special purpose register is the Index Register.

Identify **one other** special purpose register used in the Von Neumann model for a computer system.

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(b) The following table shows part of the instruction set for a processor. The processor has one general purpose register, the Accumulator (ACC), and an Index Register (IX).

Instruction		Explanation
Opcode	**Operand**	**Explanation**
LDM	#n	Immediate addressing. Load the number n to ACC
LDD	<address>	Direct addressing. Load the contents of the location at the given address to ACC
STO	<address>	Store the contents of ACC at the given address
INC	<register>	Add 1 to the contents of the register (ACC or IX)
CMP	<address>	Compare the contents of ACC with the contents of <address>
JPN	<address>	Following a compare instruction, jump to <address> if the compare was False
JMP	<address>	Jump to the given address
IN		Key in a character and store its ASCII value in ACC
OUT		Output to the screen the character whose ASCII value is stored in ACC
END		Return control to the operating system
XOR	#n	Bitwise XOR operation of the contents of ACC with the operand
XOR	<address>	Bitwise XOR operation of the contents of ACC with the contents of <address>
OR	#n	Bitwise OR operation of the contents of ACC with the operand
OR	<address>	Bitwise OR operation of the contents of ACC with the contents of <address>
AND	#n	Bitwise AND operation of the contents of ACC with the operand
AND	<address>	Bitwise AND operation of the contents of ACC with the contents of <address>
LSL	#n	Bits in ACC are shifted logically n places to the left. Zeros are introduced on the right hand end
LSR	#n	Bits in ACC are shifted logically n places to the right. Zeros are introduced on the left hand end
<address> can be an absolute or symbolic address # denotes a denary number, e.g. #123		

The current contents of main memory are shown:

Address	Data
100	01010101
101	11110000
102	00001111
103	00000000
104	11111111

(i) In the following table, each row shows the current contents of the ACC in binary and the instruction that will be performed on those contents.

Complete the table by writing the new contents of the ACC after the execution of each instruction.

Current contents of the ACC	Instruction	New contents of the ACC
01010101	XOR 101	00110000
11110000	AND 104	01100000
00001111	LSL #4	11110000
11111111	OR 102	11111111

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(ii) The following table contains five assembly language instruction groups.

Write an appropriate assembly language instruction for each instruction group, using the given instruction set. The first one has been completed for you.

Instruction Group	Instruction
Data movement	LDM #2
Input and output of data	IN
Arithmetic operations	ADD 100
Unconditional and conditional instructions	JMP 50
Compare instructions	CMP #2

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(iii) The opcode `LDM` uses immediate addressing. The opcode `LDD` uses direct addressing.

Identify **and** describe **one additional** mode of addressing.

Mode of addressing ....

Description ....

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