

# AS COMPUTER SCIENCE

# Paper 1

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Morning

Time allowed: 1 hour 45 minutes

### **Materials**

For this paper you must have:

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

You must **not** use a calculator.

### Instructions

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

### Information

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

### **Advice**

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

Section A – 20 minutes; Section B – 25 minutes; Section C – 60 minutes.

# At the end of the examination

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

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### **Section A**

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

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

Question 3 in this section asks you to write program code starting from a new program/project/file.

You are advised to save your program at regular intervals.

State **two** examples of work that you would expect to undertake during the analysis stage of software development.

[2 marks]

A sentinel value is a special value **after** the end of a series of data values. It is a terminator for the series of data values but is not treated as part of the series. A sentinel value is used when you do not know how many data values are in the series.

The algorithm, represented using pseudo-code in **Figure 1**, is an attempt at a method to add numbers that are input as a series terminated by the sentinel value -1

# Figure 1

```
X ← 0
Result ← 0
WHILE X ≠ -1
   INPUT X
   Result ← Result + X
ENDWHILE
OUTPUT Result
```

0 2.1 Complete **Table 1** by hand-tracing the algorithm in **Figure 1**. You may not need to use all the rows in **Table 1**.

The first row of **Table 1** has already been completed for you.

The sequence of numbers for input is: 4, 6, 3, 2, -1

Table 1

х	Result	Output
0	0	-

Copy the contents of all the unshaded cells in **Table 1** into your Electronic Answer Document.

[3 marks]

0 2. 2 Comment on the result of the trace and describe how the algorithm should be modified.

[2 marks]

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0 3

The algorithm, represented using pseudo-code in **Figure 2**, outputs a series of integers or the message No result. The output depends upon the value entered by the user.

# Figure 2

```
OUTPUT "Enter an integer greater than 1: "
INPUT X
Product \leftarrow 1
Factor \leftarrow 0
WHILE Product < X
  Factor \leftarrow Factor + 1
  Product ← Product * Factor
ENDWHILE
IF X = Product THEN
  Product \leftarrow 1
  FOR N \leftarrow 1 TO Factor
    Product ← Product * N
    OUTPUT N
  ENDFOR
ELSE
  OUTPUT "No result"
ENDIF
```

# What you need to do:

### Task 1

Write a program to implement the algorithm in **Figure 2**.

### Task 2

Test that your program works:

- run your program, then enter the number 720
- run your program, then enter the number 600

# Evidence that you need to provide

Include the following evidence in your Electronic Answer Document.

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

[9 marks]

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

[1 mark]

**0 3**. **3** What is true for all valid inputs for X that output a number of numbers which is not true for all other valid inputs that output No result?

[1 mark]

### **Section B**

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

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

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

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

0 4 State the name of an identifier for: a variable that is used to store a Boolean value. [1 mark] 4 2 a user-defined subroutine that returns only **one** value that **must** be a string. [1 mark] a user-defined subroutine that uses nested **indefinite** iteration. [1 mark] 0 5 The **Skeleton Program** uses a number of data structures. 1 5 State the identifier of the data structure that stores values of more than one data type. [1 mark] 0 5. 2 State the identifier of a data structure that stores values of **only one data type**. [1 mark] 0 6 This question refers to the constants set at the beginning of the **Skeleton Program**. It is a good programming technique to use a named constant rather than the value it represents. State a reason why each of the following are set as constants. Your answers for Questions **06.1** and **06.2** must be different. 6 EMPTY STRING [1 mark] 2 0 6 . MAX WIDTH

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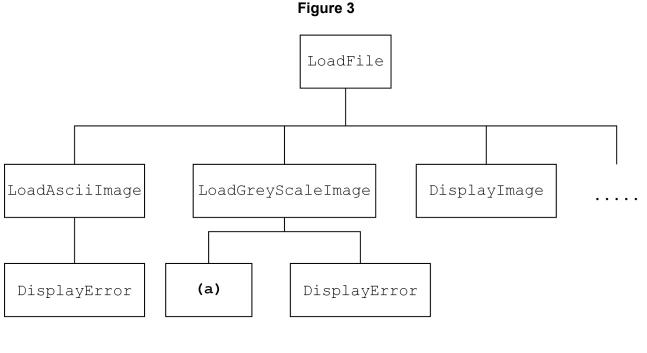
[1 mark]

This question refers to the subroutine LoadGreyScaleImage

Describe two possible errors that could cause an exception in this subroutine.

[2 marks]

0 8 Figure 3 shows an incomplete hierarchy chart for part of the Skeleton Program.



0 8. 1 What is the purpose of a hierarchy chart?

[1 mark]

0 8. 2 What does each box in a hierarchy chart represent?

[1 mark]

0 8 . 3 What should be written in box (a) in Figure 3?

[1 mark]

- **0 9** This question refers to the subroutines Graphics and LoadFile
- **O 9**. **1** State what values are passed in the parameter Header to the subroutine LoadFile when LoadFile is called for the **first** time in the subroutine Graphics

[1 mark]

**0 9**. **2** Explain how the content of HeaderLine is processed after it has been assigned a value.

[3 marks]

1 0 This question refers to the subroutine ConvertChar

With reference to the fact that 0 represents the darkest greyscale (black) and 255 represents the lightest greyscale (white), explain the purpose of ConvertChar

[2 marks]

1 1 This question refers to the text file image3.txt and the subroutine LoadAsciiImage

The first line of the text file image3.txt contains:

Cat, 59, 25, A

1 1. 1 Explain the effect of changing the first line to Cat, 25, 59, A and then calling LoadAsciiImage

[2 marks]

**1 1.2** Explain the effect of changing the first line to Cat, 59, 59, A and then calling LoadAsciiImage

[2 marks]

1 1. 3 Explain the effect of changing the first line to Cat, 59, 10, A and then calling LoadAsciiImage

[2 marks]

1 2 This question refers to the subroutine DisplayImage

Explain what effect swapping around the nested iteration structure in this subroutine would have on the image output, assuming that the image width and height are equal.

Written in pseudo-code the **altered** iteration structure would be:

```
FOR ThisColumn ← 0 TO Header.Width - 1
  FOR ThisRow ← 0 TO Header.Height - 1
    OUTPUT Grid[ThisRow, ThisColumn]
  ENDFOR
  OUTPUT newline
ENDFOR
```

[3 marks]

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### **Section C**

You are advised to spend no more than **60 minutes** on this section.

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

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

1 3

This question extends the functionality of the **Skeleton Program**. A mirror image is to be produced from the loaded image. For example, **Figure 4** shows the image loaded from the ascii.txt data file. **Figure 5** shows the mirror image.

Figure 4

	0	1	2	3	4
0	#	#	#	<u>a</u>	<u>a</u>
1	@	<u>a</u>	<u>a</u>	А	А
2	В	В	!	!	!

Figure 5

	0	1	2	3	4
0	<u>a</u>	<u>a</u>	#	#	#
1	Α	Α	<u>a</u>	@	@
2	!	!	!	В	В

# What you need to do:

#### Task 1

Write a new subroutine MirrorImage that produces a mirror image of the image loaded into Grid and stores it in a new data structure. The subroutine then displays the mirror image.

### Task 2

Amend subroutine DisplayMenu to include the new option:

### Task 3

Amend subroutine  ${\tt Graphics}$  to call  ${\tt MirrorImage}$  when the user chooses option  ${\tt M}$ 

### Task 4

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

- run the program
- enter ⊥
- load image1
- enter M

# Evidence that you need to provide Include the following evidence in your Electronic Answer Document. 1 3.1 Your PROGRAM SOURCE CODE for the entire subroutines MirrorImage, DisplayMenu and Graphics [6 marks] SCREEN CAPTURE(S) showing the requested test, including the menu and the display of the mirror image. [1 mark]

Turn over for the next question

1 4

This question refers to the subroutine LoadGreyScaleImage

A greyscale image can contain a hidden message, which has been encrypted using a key. The message can be revealed by decrypting the image using the method described below.

If an image contains a hidden message, the key to use is the integer value of the digit at the end of the image title in the first line of the file. For example, if the image title is image4 then the key is 4

When decrypting a message from an image file, each greyscale value is used in turn with the key to produce a result. The key is subtracted from the greyscale value and the result is interpreted according to **Table 2**.

**Table 2** describes the rules that should be followed to determine what secret character, if any, is hidden in the greyscale image.

Table 2

Value of result	Interpretation
0	The decrypted character is the space character.
> 0 AND ≤ 26	The result is the position in the alphabet of the decrypted
	character.
> 26	The result means that the character was not part of the message that was encrypted, and should be represented by
	an underscore character, ie the _ character.

### Example 1

Greyscale value is 1 and the key is 0

1 - 0 = 1

The decrypted character is A as this is the first letter in the alphabet. This should be appended to the hidden message.

### Example 2

Greyscale value is 5 and the key is 3

5 - 3 = 2

The decrypted character is B as this is the second letter in the alphabet. This should be appended to the hidden message.

### Example 3

Greyscale value is 7 and the key is 7

7 - 7 = 0

The decrypted character is a space as the result was 0. This should be appended to the hidden message.

# Example 4

Greyscale value is 52 and the key is 1

52 - 1 = 51

The result is greater than 26 so the greyscale value was not an encrypted character and an underscore character should be added to the hidden message.

The hidden message is built by concatenating each of the decrypted characters.

# What you need to do:

### Task 1

Write a new subroutine, FindSecretChar, which takes as parameters the PixelValue and Key, where Key is the key used to decrypt the hidden character. The subroutine should return the decrypted character if the pixel value was a character from the message, otherwise it should return the underscore character.

### Task 2

Amend the subroutine LoadGreyScaleImage to:

- get the key from the image title
- call the subroutine FindSecretChar in the appropriate place and build up the hidden message from the returned characters
- output the complete hidden message.

### Task 3

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

- run the program
- enter ⊥
- load greyscale

Evidence that you need to prov	ide
Include the following evidence in v	your Electronic Answer Document.

1 4 . 1	Your PROGRAM SOURCE CODE for the entire subroutines FindSecretChar and
	LoadGreyScaleImage

[9 marks]

1 4 . 2	SCREEN CAPTURE(S) showing the requested test, including the display of the
	message and the image.

[1 mark]

Turn over for the next question

1 5

This question extends the functionality of the **Skeleton Program**. A new option, C, is to be added to compress an existing ASCII art image file using run-length encoding and store it in a new file.

The number of symbols in a run of symbols is to be counted and this count, separated by a comma from the symbol, is stored in the new file. Each count and symbol pair should be put on a new line.

For example, Figure 6 shows the contents of the ascii.txt data file.

# Figure 6

TestImage1,5,3,A ###@@@@@AABB!!!

The compressed file will contain the file header followed by several value pairs and the file type in the header should be changed from A to C, as shown in **Figure 7**.

Figure 7

TestImage1,5,3,C	
3,#	
5,0	
2,A	
2,B	
3,!	

You can assume that there are no newline characters in the ASCII art image file.

### What you need to do:

### Task 1

Write a new subroutine, CompressFile

This subroutine is to:

- ask the user for the name of the file to be compressed
- $\bullet$  read the existing file header and change the file type to  ${\mathbb C}$  to indicate that this is a compressed file
- create a new file with the existing filename preceded by CMP, for example, if the file read in was image2 the new filename should be CMPimage2
- save the edited file header to the new file
- save each pair of symbol count and symbol separated by a comma on a new line to the new file.

### Task 2

Amend subroutine DisplayMenu to include the new option:

### Task 3

Amend subroutine  ${\tt Graphics}$  to call  ${\tt CompressFile}$  when the user chooses option  ${\tt C}$ 

### Task 4

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

- run the program
- enter C
- enter the file name image2
- load the file CMPimage2 into a text editor.

# Evidence that you need to provide

Include the following evidence in your Electronic Answer Document.

1 5 . 1 Your PROGRAM SOURCE CODE for the entire subroutine CompressFile

[12 marks]

SCREEN CAPTURE(S) showing the requested test, including the menu and all of the contents of the file CMPimage2 in the text editor.

[1 mark]

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