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**COMPUTER SCIENCE**

**Paper 1**

**7516/1**

**Time allowed: 1 hour 45 minutes**

**For this paper you must have:**

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

**You must NOT use a calculator.**

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

You are advised to save your program at regular intervals.

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The algorithm, represented using pseudo-code in FIGURE 1, on page 2 of the insert, describes a method to access numbers in the data structure, `List`, shown in TABLE 1, on page 6.

Complete TABLE 2, on page 7, by hand-tracing the algorithm in FIGURE 1 when the following statement is executed.

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Result ← A(38, 0, 18)
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You may not need to use all the rows in TABLE 2.

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

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TABLE 1

List

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

TABLE 2

S	X	Y	P	Z	List[Z]
38	0	18	-1		
Result:					

Copy the contents of all the unshaded cells in TABLE 2 into your Electronic Answer Document.  
[5 marks]

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The information for question 02 and FIGURE 2 are on pages 4 to 7 of the insert. Read this information before answering the question.

Complete TABLE 3, on the opposite page, by filling in the unshaded cells with the correct labels from FIGURE 2. You should write:

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

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

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



**TABLE 3**

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

**Copy the contents of all the unshaded cells in TABLE 3 into your Electronic Answer Document. [6 marks]**

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03

**FIGURE 3**, on page 8 of the insert, shows an algorithm represented using pseudo-code.

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

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

**TABLE 4**

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

**WHAT YOU NEED TO DO:**

**TASK 1**

**Write a program to implement the algorithm in FIGURE 3.**

**TASK 2**

**Test that your program works:  
run your program.**

**EVIDENCE THAT YOU NEED TO PROVIDE**

**Include the following evidence in your Electronic Answer Document.**

**03.1**

**Your PROGRAM SOURCE CODE for TASK 1. [8 marks]**

**03.2**

**SCREEN CAPTURE(S) showing the test described in TASK 2. [1 mark]**

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**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.

04.1

State the most appropriate data type to use for whole numbers. [1 mark]

04.2

State the identifier of a variable in the **SKELETON PROGRAM** that can only represent whole numbers. [1 mark]

**0 5**

**State the identifier AND data type of a variable in the SKELETON PROGRAM that can only represent two different values. [2 marks]**

**0 6**

**The SKELETON PROGRAM uses the data structure Answer.**

**0 6 . 1**

**State what the second element of this data structure, Answer [ 1 ], is used for. [1 mark]**

**0 6 . 2**

**Explain the purpose of the third element of this data structure, Answer [ 2 ], AND how it is used. [3 marks]**

**[Turn over]**

**07**

The grid size of the puzzle is currently 9 and sub-grids are 3 x 3.

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

Describe TWO changes that would need to be made to the subroutine `DisplayGrid` to enable this.

You should not make any changes to the SKELETON PROGRAM to answer this question. [2 marks]

**08**

Explain what is meant by decomposition. [2 marks]

**09.1**

Explain the differences between definite and indefinite iteration. [2 marks]

**09.2**

State the identifier of a subroutine in the SKELETON PROGRAM that contains DEFINITE iteration. [1 mark]

**09.3**

State the identifier of a subroutine in the SKELETON PROGRAM that contains INDEFINITE iteration. [1 mark]

**1 0 . 1**

**Explain what exception handling is used for. [2 marks]**

**1 0 . 2**

**State the identifier of a subroutine in the SKELETON PROGRAM that performs exception handling AND give an example of a circumstance that might cause an exception within that subroutine. [2 marks]**

**1 1 . 1**

**What is a subroutine? [1 mark]**

**1 1 . 2**

**The use of subroutines promotes code re-use.**

**Describe, with references to subroutine(s) in the SKELETON PROGRAM, an example of how a subroutine has been re-used. [1 mark]**

**1 1 . 3**

**Describe an advantage of re-using subroutines. [1 mark]**

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**11.4**

**FIGURE 4, on page 9 of the insert, shows an incomplete hierarchy chart for part of the SKELETON PROGRAM.**

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

**TABLE 5**

<b>BOX</b>	<b>LABEL</b>
(a)	
(b)	
(c)	
(d)	

**Copy the contents of all the unshaded cells in TABLE 5 into your Electronic Answer Document. [2 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.

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This question adds further validation to the **SKELETON PROGRAM**.

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

**FIGURE 5**, on the opposite page, shows the numbers in the puzzle grid cells when `puzzle1` is first loaded. These are the protected cells for this puzzle.

FIGURE 5

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	8	.	.	5	.	.	.	.	7
1	9	.	.	5	.	.	4	.	.
2	4	.	1	.	.	6	.	.	.
3	.	.	.	7	.	.	1	.	6
4	1	.	.	4	.	.	6	.	3
5	.	5	.	8	.	.	1	.	.
6	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	4	9
7	.	.	.	2	.	.	7	.	1
8	2	.	.	.	.	.	5	.	6
9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.

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

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

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## WHAT YOU NEED TO DO:

### TASK 1

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

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

### TASK 2

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

- run your amended SKELETON PROGRAM
- enter `P`
- load `puzzle1`
- enter `S`
- enter `117`
- enter `323`
- enter `993`
- enter `853`
- enter `854`

**EVIDENCE THAT YOU NEED TO PROVIDE**

Include the following evidence in your Electronic Answer Document.

**1** **2** . **1**

Your **PROGRAM SOURCE CODE** for the entire subroutine `SolvePuzzle`. **[7 marks]**

**1** **2** . **2**

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

The **SCREEN CAPTURE(S)** need(s) to show the puzzle grid before and after the described test. **[1 mark]**

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1 3

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

**FIGURE 6** shows the numbers in the puzzle grid cells of `puzzle1` when first loaded.

**FIGURE 6**

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	8	.	.	5	.	.	.	.	7
2	9	.	.	5	.	.	4	.	.
3	4	.	1	.	.	6	.	.	.
4	.	.	.	7	.	.	1	.	6
5	1	.	.	4	.	.	6	.	3
6	.	5	.	8	.	.	1	.	.
7	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	4	.
8	.	.	.	2	.	.	7	.	.
9	2	.	.	.	.	.	5	.	.

**WHAT YOU NEED TO DO:****TASK 1**

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

**TASK 2**

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

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**TASK 3**

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

- run your amended **SKELETON PROGRAM**
- enter `L`
- load `puzzle1`
- enter `S`
- enter `178`
- enter `819`
- enter `124`
- enter `989`
- enter `555`

**EVIDENCE THAT YOU NEED TO PROVIDE**

Include the following evidence in your Electronic Answer Document.

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Your **PROGRAM SOURCE CODE** for the entire subroutine `DuplicateDigit` and the entire subroutine `SolvePuzzle`. **[8 marks]**

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13.2

**SCREEN CAPTURE(S) showing the requested test described in TASK 3.**

**The SCREEN CAPTURE(S) need(s) to show the puzzle grid before and after the described test. [1 mark]**

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**This question extends the functionality of the SKELETON PROGRAM.**

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

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

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

**WHAT YOU NEED TO DO:**

### **TASK 1**

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

## TASK 2

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

## TASK 3

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

- run your amended **SKELETON PROGRAM**
- enter `P`
- load `puzzle1`
- enter `S`
- enter `-x`
- enter `-1`
- enter `-5`

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**EVIDENCE THAT YOU NEED TO PROVIDE**

Include the following evidence in your Electronic Answer Document.

**1** **4** . **1**

Your **PROGRAM SOURCE CODE** for the entire subroutine `ClearEntries` and the entire subroutine `SolvePuzzle`. **[12 marks]**

**1** **4** . **2**

**SCREEN CAPTURE(S)** showing the requested test described in **TASK 3**.

The **SCREEN CAPTURE(S)** need(s) to show the puzzle grid before and after the described test. **[1 mark]**

**END OF QUESTIONS**

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