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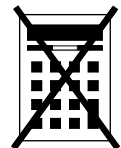
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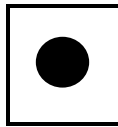
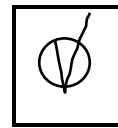
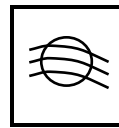
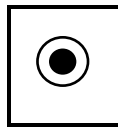
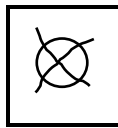
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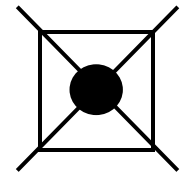


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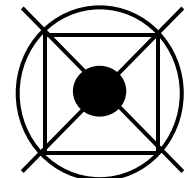
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Answer ALL questions.

0 1

The pseudo-code in FIGURE 1 assigns two string values to two variables.

FIGURE 1

```
title ← 'computer science'  
level ← 'gcse'
```

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Shade ONE lozenge that shows the length of the contents of the variable `level` in FIGURE 1. [1 mark]

A 1

B 2

C 3

D 4



01.2 Shade **ONE** lozenge that shows the result of concatenating the variable `title` with the variable `level` in **FIGURE 1**. [1 mark]

A 'computer science gcse'

B 'Computer Science GCSE'

C 'computersciencegcse'

D 'computer sciencegcse'

[Turn over]



01.3 Shade **ONE** lozenge to show which of the following strings is a substring of the variable `title` in **FIGURE 1**. [1 mark]

A 'compsci'

B 'puters'

C 'sci'

D 'tersci'



01.4 The Unicode character code of `title[0]`, which is 'c', is 99.

Shade ONE lozenge to show the Unicode character code of the character `level[3]` in FIGURE 1. [1 mark]

A 95

B 99

C 101

D 103

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0 2

The three examples of code shown in FIGURE 2 are all equivalent to one another.

FIGURE 2

Example 1	Example 2	Example 3
a ← 4	MOV R0, #4	1001 0000 0100 0000
b ← 3	MOV R1, #3	1001 0001 0011 0000
IF a = b THEN	CMP R0, R1	0100 0000 0001 0000
c ← a + b	BNE end	1010 0101 0000 0000
ENDIF	ADD R2, R0, R1	1100 0010 0000 0001
	end:	1111 0000 0000 0000
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0 2 . 1 Shade ONE lozenge to show the statement that is true about FIGURE 2, on page 8. [1 mark]

- A** None of the examples of code is in a low-level language.
- B** Only one of the examples of code is in a low-level language.
- C** Only two of the examples of code are in low-level languages.
- D** All three of the examples of code are in low-level languages.

0 2 . 2 Explain why a developer, who is good at both low-level and high-level programming, would normally use high-level languages when writing programs. [4 marks]



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0 2 . 3 Statements A and B refer to two different types of program translator.

STATEMENT A: This type of translator can convert a high-level language program into machine code. The source code is analysed fully during the translation process. The result of this translation can be saved, meaning the translation process does not need to be repeated.

STATEMENT B: This type of translator was used to convert the code in **EXAMPLE 2** to the code in **EXAMPLE 3** in **FIGURE 2**, on page 8.

State the type of program translators referred to in statements A and B. [2 marks]

Statement A: _____

Statement B: _____

[Turn over]

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0 3

A cake recipe uses 100 grams of flour and 50 grams of sugar for every egg used in the recipe.

FIGURE 3 shows the first line of an algorithm that will be used to calculate the amount of flour and sugar required based on the number of eggs being used. The number of eggs is entered by the user.

FIGURE 3

```
eggsUsed ← USERINPUT
```

0 3 . 1

Shade **ONE** lozenge to show which of the following lines of code correctly calculates the amount of flour needed in grams. [1 mark]

A `flourNeeded ← USERINPUT`

B `flourNeeded ← eggsUsed
* USERINPUT`

C `flourNeeded ← eggsUsed * 100`

D `flourNeeded ← eggsUsed * 50`



03.2 Shade ONE lozenge to show which programming technique has been used in all of the lines of code in QUESTION 03.1. [1 mark]

A Assignment

B Indefinite iteration

C Nested iteration

D Selection

[Turn over]



03.3 The developer wants to use validation to ensure that the user can only enter a positive number of eggs, ie one egg or more. The maximum number of eggs that can be used in the recipe is eight.

Develop an algorithm, using either pseudo-code or a flowchart, so that the number of eggs is validated to ensure the user is made to re-enter the number of eggs used until a valid number is entered.

You should assume that the user will always enter an integer. [4 marks]



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- 04.1** Complete the trace table for the algorithm shown in FIGURE 4 for when the user enters the value 750 when prompted. [4 marks]

FIGURE 4

```

constant PAYLOAD_SIZE ← 250
constant HEADER_SIZE ← 50
OUTPUT 'Enter the number of bits of data to
be sent'
dataToBeSent ← USERINPUT
totalSize ← PAYLOAD_SIZE + HEADER_SIZE
numberOfPackets ← 0
REPEAT
    dataToBeSent ← dataToBeSent - totalSize
    numberOfPackets ← numberOfPackets + 1
UNTIL dataToBeSent ≤ 0

```

totalSize	dataToBeSent	numberOfPackets
	750	



- 04.2** State why both `PAYLOAD_SIZE` and `HEADER_SIZE` from the algorithm in **FIGURE 4** did not need to be included in the trace table. [1 mark]
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- 04.3** Shade ONE lozenge to show which of the following best represents the input and output to/from the algorithm in **FIGURE 4**. [1 mark]

A **Input:** `dataToBeSent`,
output: `numberOfPackets`

B **Input:** `numberOfPackets`,
output: `totalSize`

C **Input:** `totalSize`,
output: `dataToBeSent`

[Turn over]



04.4

A developer looks at the algorithm in FIGURE 4, on page 20, and realises that the use of iteration is unnecessary if they use a combination of the `DIV` and `MOD` operators.

- `DIV` calculates integer division, eg `11 DIV 4 = 2`
- `MOD` calculates the remainder after integer division, eg `11 MOD 4 = 3`

The programmer realises that she can rewrite the algorithm by replacing the `REPEAT-UNTIL` structure with code that uses selection, `MOD` and `DIV` instead.

Complete this new algorithm, on the opposite page, by stating the code that should be written in the boxes labelled A, B and C. This new algorithm should calculate the same final result for the variable `numberOfPackets` as the original algorithm in FIGURE 4. [3 marks]



```
constant PAYLOAD_SIZE ← 250
constant HEADER_SIZE ← 50
OUTPUT 'Enter the number of bits of
data to be sent'
dataToBeSent ← USERINPUT
totalSize ← PAYLOAD_SIZE +
HEADER_SIZE
numberOfPackets ← dataToBeSent DIV
totalSize
```

```
IF  MOD  > 0 THEN
    numberOfPackets ← 
ENDIF
```

A _____

B _____

C _____

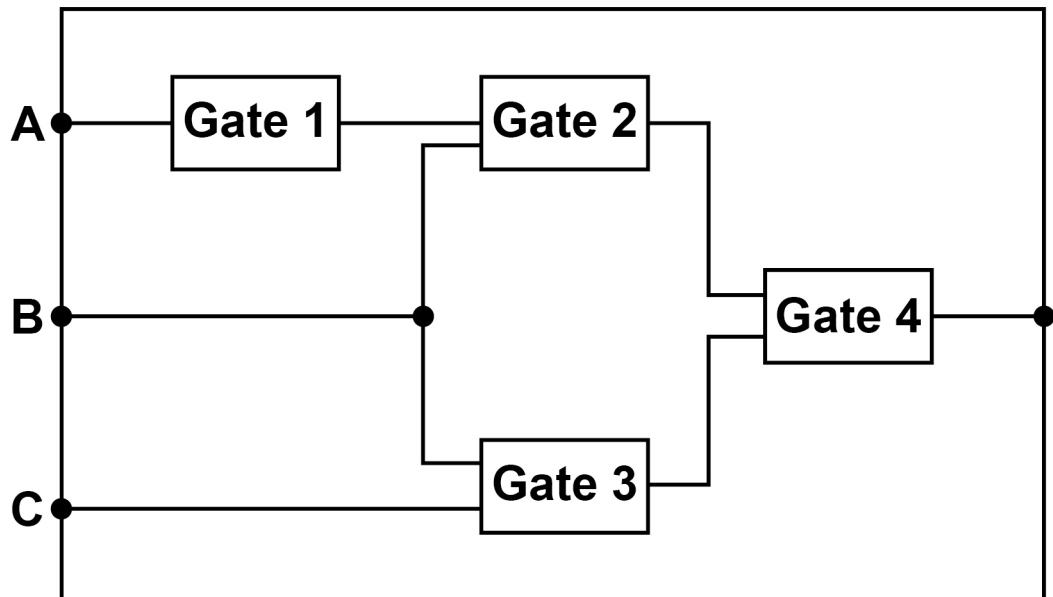
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The expression $(B \text{ AND } (\text{NOT } A)) \text{ OR } (B \text{ AND } C)$ can be represented by the logic circuit shown in FIGURE 5. In the circuit the logic gates are marked with labels instead of their proper symbols.

FIGURE 5



05.1

State the name of the logic gate used at Gate 1 in FIGURE 5. [1 mark]

05.2

State the name of the logic gate used at Gate 2 in FIGURE 5. [1 mark]



0 5 . 3 Draw the logic circuit symbol in the space below for the logic gate used at Gate 3 in FIGURE 5. [1 mark]

0 5 . 4 Draw the logic circuit symbol in the space below for the logic gate used at Gate 4 in FIGURE 5. [1 mark]

[Turn over]



0 5 . 5 Complete the truth table for the Boolean expression:

$$(X \text{ AND } Y) \text{ OR } (\text{NOT } X)$$

[3 marks]

X	Y	X AND Y	NOT X	(X AND Y) OR (NOT X)
0	0			
0	1			
1	0			
1	1			

0 5 . 6 A truth table for the complex Boolean expression:

$$(A1 \text{ AND } (\text{NOT } A2) \text{ AND } A3) \text{ OR } (A1 \text{ AND } A2 \text{ AND } A3)$$

is shown in **FIGURE 6**, on the opposite page.



FIGURE 6

A1	A2	A3	OUTPUT
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1

Shade ONE lozenge which shows a simpler expression which is the equivalent of the original, more complex, expression. [1 mark]

A NOT A1

B A2 OR A3

C A1 AND (NOT A2)

D A1 AND A3

[Turn over]



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Run length encoding (RLE) is a form of compression that creates frequency/data pairs to describe the original data.

For example, an RLE of the bit pattern

00000011101111 could be 6 0 3 1 1 0 4 1 because there are six 0s followed by three 1s followed by one 0 and finally four 1s.

The algorithm in FIGURE 7, on the opposite page, is designed to output an RLE for a bit pattern that has been entered by the user.

Five parts of the code labelled L1, L2, L3, L4 and L5 are missing.

- **Note that indexing starts at zero.**



FIGURE 7

```

pattern ← L1
i ← L2
count ← 1
WHILE i < LEN(pattern)-1
    IF pattern[i] L3 pattern[i+1]
    THEN
        count ← count + 1
    ELSE
        L4
        OUTPUT pattern[i]
        count ← 1
    ENDIF
    L5
ENDWHILE
OUTPUT count
OUTPUT pattern[i]

```

06.1 Shade **ONE** lozenge to show what code should be written at point **L1** of the algorithm. [1 mark]

- A** OUTPUT
- B** 'RLE'
- C** True
- D** USERINPUT

[Turn over]



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0 6 . 2 Shade ONE lozenge to show what value should be written at point **L2** of the algorithm. [1 mark]

A -1

B 0

C 1

D 2

0 6 . 3 Shade ONE lozenge to show what operator should be written at point **L3** of the algorithm. [1 mark]

A =

B ≤

C <

D ≠

[Turn over]



06.4 Shade ONE lozenge to show what code should be written at point L4 of the algorithm. [1 mark]

A count

B count \leftarrow count - 1

C count \leftarrow USERINPUT

D OUTPUT count

06.5 Shade ONE lozenge to show what code should be written at point L5 of the algorithm. [1 mark]

A $i \leftarrow i * 2$

B $i \leftarrow i + 1$

C $i \leftarrow i + 2$

D $i \leftarrow i \text{ DIV } 2$



06.6 State a run length encoding of the series of characters `ttjjeess` [2 marks]

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07

A developer creates the algorithm shown in FIGURE 8 to provide support for users of a new brand of computer monitor (display).

- **Line numbers are included but are not part of the algorithm.**

FIGURE 8

```
1  OUTPUT 'Can you turn it on?'
2  ans ← USERINPUT
3  IF ans = 'no' THEN
4      OUTPUT 'Is it plugged in?'
5      ans ← USERINPUT
6      IF ans = 'yes' THEN
7          OUTPUT 'Contact supplier'
8      ELSE
9          OUTPUT 'Plug it in and
              start again'
10     ENDIF
11 ELSE
12     OUTPUT 'Is it connected to the
              computer?'
13     ans ← USERINPUT
14     IF ans = 'yes' THEN
15         OUTPUT 'Contact supplier'
16     ELSE
17         OUTPUT 'Connect it to the
              computer'
18     ENDIF
19 ENDIF
```



07.1 Shade ONE lozenge to show which programming technique is used on line 3 of the algorithm in FIGURE 8. [1 mark]

A Assignment

B Iteration

C Selection

07.2 Shade ONE lozenge to show the data type of the variable `ans` in the algorithm in FIGURE 8. [1 mark]

A Date

B Integer

C Real

D String

[Turn over]



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- 07.3** Regardless of what the user inputs, the same number of `OUTPUT` instructions will always execute in the algorithm shown in **FIGURE 8**, on page 36.

State how many `OUTPUT` instructions will execute whenever the algorithm is run.
[1 mark]

- 07.4** The phrase `'Contact supplier'` appears twice in the algorithm in **FIGURE 8**.

State the **TWO** possible sequences of user input that would result in `'Contact supplier'` being output. [2 marks]

Sequence 1: _____

Sequence 2: _____

[Turn over]



07.5 Another developer looks at the algorithm shown in FIGURE 8 and makes the following statement.

“At the moment if the user enters ‘y’ or ‘n’ they will sometimes get unexpected results. This problem could have been avoided.”

Explain why this problem has occurred and describe what would happen if a user entered ‘y’ or ‘n’ instead of ‘yes’ or ‘no’.

You may include references to line numbers in the algorithm where appropriate. You do NOT need to include any additional code in your answer. [3 marks]



- 08.1** State the comparisons that would be made if the binary search algorithm was used to search for the value 30 in the following array (array indices have been included above the array).

0	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	6	14	21	27	31	35

[3 marks]



0 8 . 2 For a binary search algorithm to work correctly on an array of integers, what property must be true about the array? [1 mark]

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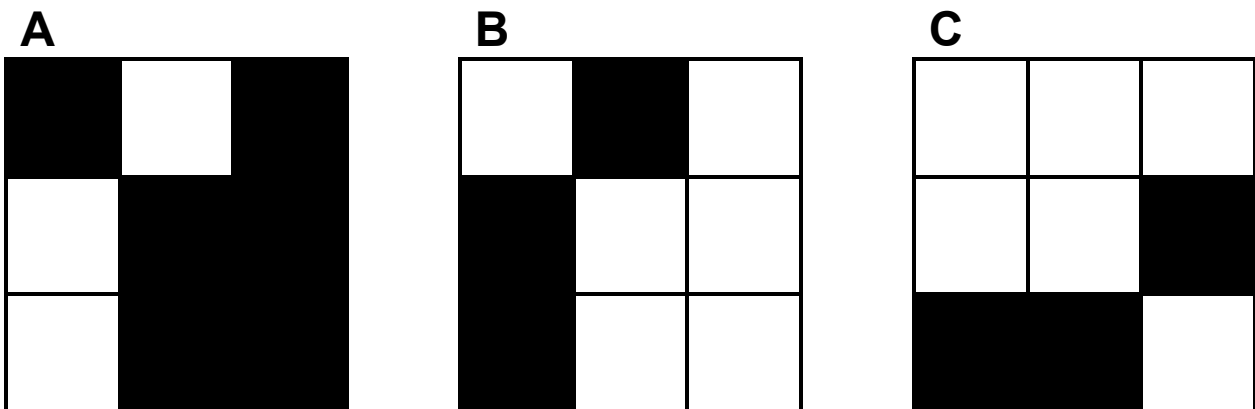
A black and white image can be represented as a two-dimensional array where:

- 0 represents a white pixel
- 1 represents a black pixel.

Two images are exact inverses of each other if:

- every white pixel in the first image is black in the second image
- every black pixel in the first image is white in the second image.

For example, B is the inverse of A but C is not the inverse of A:



A developer has started to create an algorithm that compares two 3x3 black and white images, `image1` and `image2`, to see if they are exact inverses of each other.

Complete the algorithm in pseudo-code, ensuring that, when the algorithm ends, the value of the variable `inverse` is `true` if the



two images are inverses of each other or false if they are not inverses of each other.

The algorithm should work for any 3x3 black and white images stored in `image1` and `image2`.

- **Note that indexing starts at zero.**

```
image1 ← [ [0, 0, 0], [0, 1, 1],  
           [1, 1, 0] ]  
image2 ← [ [1, 1, 1], [1, 1, 0],  
           [0, 0, 1] ]  
inverse ← true  
i ← 0  
WHILE i ≤ 2  
    j ← 0  
    WHILE j ≤ 2
```

[6 marks]

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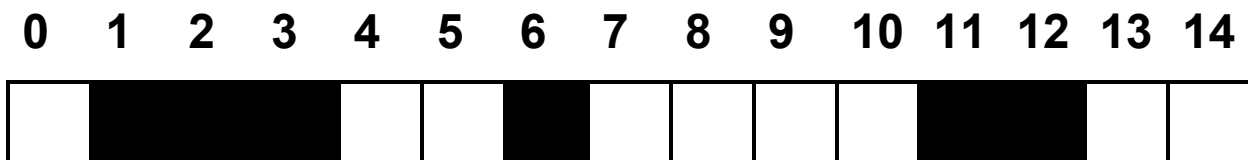
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A developer wants to simulate a simple version of the game of Battleships™. The ships are located on a one-dimensional array called `board`. There are always three ships placed on the board:

- one ‘carrier’ that has size three
- one ‘cruiser’ that has size two
- one ‘destroyer’ that has size one.

The size of the board is always 15 squares. A possible starting configuration is shown in FIGURE 9 where the indices are also written above the board.

FIGURE 9



The carrier, for example, is found at locations `board[1]`, `board[2]` and `board[3]`.

A player makes a guess to see if a ship (or part of a ship) is located at a particular location. If a ship is found at the location then the player has ‘hit’ the ship at this location.



Every value in the `board` array is 0, 1 or 2.

- The value 0 is used to indicate an empty location.
- The value 1 is used to indicate if a ship is at this location and this location has NOT been hit.
- The value 2 is used to indicate if a ship is at this location and this location has been hit.

The developer identifies one of the sub-problems and creates the subroutine shown in FIGURE 10.

FIGURE 10

```
SUBROUTINE F(board, location)
  h ← board[location]
  IF h = 1 THEN
    RETURN true
  ELSE
    RETURN false
  ENDIF
ENDSUBROUTINE
```

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- 10.1** The subroutine in FIGURE 10, on page 51, uses the values `true` and `false`. Each element of the array `board` has the value 0, 1 or 2.

State the most appropriate data type for these values. [2 marks]

VALUES	DATA TYPE
<code>true, false</code>	
0, 1, 2	

- 10.2** The developer has taken the overall problem of the game Battleships and has broken it down into smaller sub-problems.

State the technique that the developer has used. [1 mark]

[Turn over]



- 10.3** The identifier for the subroutine in FIGURE 10, on page 51, is \mathbb{F} . This is not a good choice. State a better identifier for this subroutine and explain why you chose it. [2 marks]

New subroutine identifier: _____

Explanation: _____



- 10.4** The variable `h` in the subroutine in FIGURE 10, on page 51, is local to the subroutine. State TWO properties that only apply to local variables. [2 marks]

[Turn over]



10.5 Develop a subroutine that works out how far away the game is from ending.

The subroutine should:

- have a sensible identifier
- take the board as a parameter
- work out **AND OUTPUT** how many hits have been made
- work out how many locations containing a ship have yet to be hit and:
 - if 0 then output 'Winner'
 - if 1, 2 or 3 then output 'Almost there'.

[11 marks]



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