



Level 3 Technical Level IT: Programming

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Mark scheme

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It must be stressed that a mark scheme is a working document, in many cases further developed and expanded on the basis of students' reactions to a particular paper. Assumptions about future mark schemes on the basis of one year's document should be avoided; whilst the guiding principles of assessment remain constant, details will change, depending on the content of a particular examination paper.

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The following annotation is used in the mark scheme:

- ;** - means a single mark
- //** - means alternative response
- /** - means an alternative word or sub-phrase
- A** - means acceptable creditworthy answer
- R** - means reject answer as not creditworthy
- NE** - means not enough
- I** - means ignore
- DPT** - in some questions a specific error made by a candidate, if repeated, could result in the candidate failing to gain more than one mark. The DPT label indicates that this mistake should only result in a candidate losing one mark on the first occasion that the error is made. Provided that the answer remains understandable, subsequent marks should be awarded as if the error was not being repeated.

Level of response marking instructions

Level of response mark schemes are broken down into levels, each of which has a descriptor. The descriptor for the level shows the average performance for the level. There are marks in each level.

Before you apply the mark scheme to a student's answer read through the answer and annotate it (as instructed) to show the qualities that are being looked for. You can then apply the mark scheme.

Step 1 Determine a level

Start at the lowest level of the mark scheme and use it as a ladder to see whether the answer meets the descriptor for that level. The descriptor for the level indicates the different qualities that might be seen in the student's answer for that level. If it meets the lowest level then go to the next one and decide if it meets this level, and so on, until you have a match between the level descriptor and the answer. With practice and familiarity you will find that for better answers you will be able to quickly skip through the lower levels of the mark scheme.

When assigning a level you should look at the overall quality of the answer and not look to pick holes in small and specific parts of the answer where the student has not performed quite as well as the rest. If the answer covers different aspects of different levels of the mark scheme you should use a best fit approach for defining the level and then use the variability of the response to help decide the mark within the level, ie if the response is predominantly level 3 with a small amount of level 4 material it would be placed in level 3 but be awarded a mark near the top of the level because of the level 4 content.

Step 2 Determine a mark

Once you have assigned a level you need to decide on the mark. The descriptors on how to allocate marks can help with this. The exemplar materials used during standardisation will help. There will be an answer in the standardising materials which will correspond with each level of the mark scheme. This answer will have been awarded a mark by the Lead Examiner. You can compare the student's answer with the example to determine if it is the same standard, better or worse than the example. You can then use this to allocate a mark for the answer based on the Lead Examiner's mark on the example.

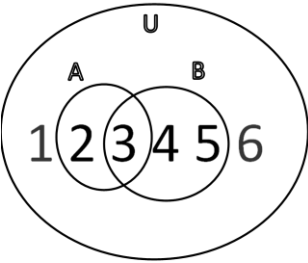
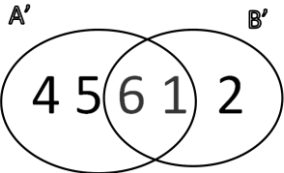
You may well need to read back through the answer as you apply the mark scheme to clarify points and assure yourself that the level and the mark are appropriate.

Indicative content in the mark scheme is provided as a guide for examiners. It is not intended to be exhaustive and you must credit other valid points. Students do not have to cover all of the points mentioned in the Indicative content to reach the highest level of the mark scheme.

An answer which contains nothing of relevance to the question must be awarded no marks.

Question	Guidance	Mark
01	C	1
02	A	1
03	B	1
04	B	1
05	A	1

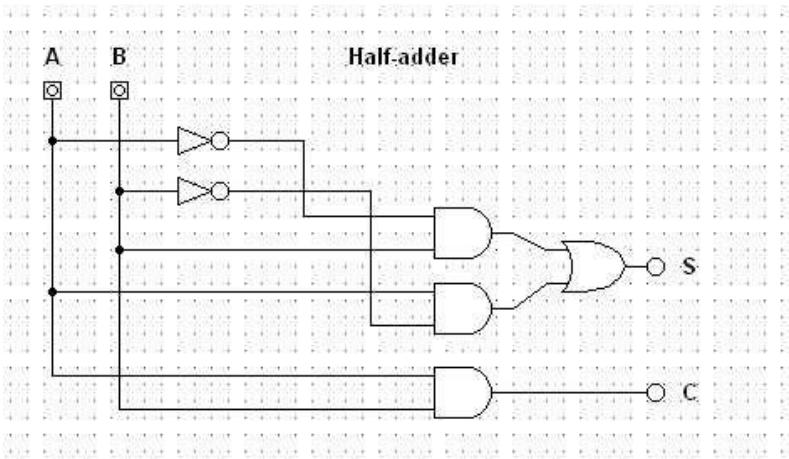
Question	Guidance	Mark
06.1	1 mark for 11111101 A. -3 even if incorrect binary is given	1
06.2	1 mark for 01111000 A. 120	1
06.3	1 mark for the negative number –120 is converted to its positive form as 120 // it changes a negative number into its positive equivalent // the number has been made positive.	1
07.1	1 mark for $\frac{1}{3}$ A. equivalent values or description.	1
07.2	2 marks if answer is correct $\frac{1}{6}$ If answer given is not correct then awarding working marks as follows: 1 mark for attempting to multiply by $\frac{1}{3}$ by $\frac{1}{2}$ A. 0.33 x 0.5 R. 0.3 x 0.5	2
08	1 mark for each correct step (max 3 marks), eg: Step 1: Start at middle position 14. Step 2: 47 > 14, so, start at middle position from 14 to 53 (1 mark) which is 45. Step 3: 47 > 45, so, start at middle position from 45 to 53 (1 mark) which is 47. A. Explanation as above but which discards 14. A. Steps as process or numbers so long as the logic is clear. A. Other reasonable sequences, eg smaller steps: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Step 1: Find middle number (14) Step 2: Compare 14 with 47 Step 3: Discard bottom half of numbers (and 14). 	3

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09	<p>$(A \cup B) = \{2, 3, 4, 5\}$, therefore $(A \cup B)' = \{1, 6\}$.</p> <p>2 marks for correct diagram</p>  <p>A. U circle missing or labelled N. A. Labels/letters missing.</p> <p>If not fully correct then a maximum of 1 from:</p> <p>Identifying $(A \cup B)'$; 2, 3, 4, 5 written once in the correct positions; 1 and 6 outside A and B even if labelled incorrectly (eg N); The numbers 1 and 6 linked in words or notation to $(A \cup B)'$;</p> <p>$A' = \{1, 4, 5, 6\}$ and $B' = \{1, 2, 6\}$, therefore $A' \cap B' = \{1, 6\}$</p> <p>2 marks for correct diagram</p>  <p>If not fully correct then a maximum of 1 from:</p> <p>Identifying $A' \cap B'$; 4, 5, 2 written once in the correct positions; 1 and 6 linked in words or notation to $A' \cap B'$;</p>	4

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10.1	1 mark for 1 1 1 1 0 1 1 0 0	1
10.2	1 mark for 754	1

Question	Guidance	Mark
11.1	<p>1 mark for</p> <p>Unit matrix $I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$</p> <p>A. Unit matrix only. A. Description, eg ones on the main/first diagonal and zeroes elsewhere.</p>	1
11.2	<p>4 marks for the correct answer</p> <p>$A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -5 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$</p> <p>A. Without $A^{-1} =$.</p> <p>If not fully correct then a maximum of 3 from:</p> <p>1 mark for a pair of correct values, even in the wrong position/letter; 1 mark for identifying the inverse matrix but with one diagonal incorrect; 1 mark for the correct multiplication:</p> <p>If $A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$</p> <p>then $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 3 \\ 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$</p> <p>A. Answer which only shows the two matrices being multiplied.</p> <p>1 mark for the correct equation:</p> <p>therefore $\begin{pmatrix} 8a + 5b & 3a + 2b \\ 8c + 5d & 3c + 2d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$</p> <p>A. Answer which only shows the left side of the equation.</p> <p>From above $8a + 5b = 1$, $3a + 2b = 0$, $8c + 5d = 0$ and $3c + 2d = 1$</p> <p>Solving the above equations yields $a = 2$, $b = -3$, $c = -5$ and $d = 8$</p>	4
11.3	<p>1 mark for</p> <p>$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ -5 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 3 \\ 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$</p> <p>A. Answer which only shows the two matrices being multiplied (ie which does not show unit matrix).</p>	1

Question	Guidance	Mark
12.1	<p>1 mark for each side of the expression</p> $i_s(n) = \frac{1}{0.8 + \frac{0.8}{n}}$	2
12.2	<p>3 marks for correct answer</p> <p>1.2 // 0.2 in 1 // 0.2 // 20% // 1 in 5</p> <p>A. Any equivalent answer in words or numbers.</p> <p>A. Maximum of 2 marks if candidate has used the wrong expression from Question 12.1 or Question 12, but then used it correctly to work out Question 12.2.</p> <p>If answer given is not correct then award working marks as follows:</p> <p>Maximum of 2 from:</p> <p>showing the correct substitution for either equation; showing the correct result for either equation; answer of 1.2 : 1 or equivalent;</p> $i_s(2) = \frac{1}{0.8 + \frac{0.8}{2}} = \frac{1}{1.2}$ $i_s(4) = \frac{1}{0.8 + \frac{0.8}{4}} = 1$	3

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13.1	<p>1 mark for S column correct 1 mark for C column correct</p> <table><tr><th>A</th><th>B</th><th>S</th><th>C</th></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0</td></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>0</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>0</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>1</td></tr></table>	A	B	S	C	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	2
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13.2	<p>1 mark for S logic circuit correct 1 mark for C logic circuit correct</p> 	2																				
13.3	<p>1 mark for distributive law of logic</p> $P = A(B + C)$ <p>A. Without $\overline{P} =$.</p> <p>1 mark for De Morgan's law</p> $\overline{P} = \overline{A(B + C)}$ $\overline{P} = \overline{A} + \overline{(B + C)}$ <p>A. Either of the above steps or equivalent.</p> <p>1 mark for conclusion</p> <p>Since $\overline{(B + C)}$ is $\overline{B} \cdot \overline{C}$ by De Morgan's law $\overline{P} = \overline{A} + \overline{B} \cdot \overline{C}$</p> <p>A. Without $\overline{P} =$ part of above.</p>	3																				

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14.1	<p>1 mark for result or series</p> $1 + 2 + 4 + 8 + 16 + 32 + 64 = 127$ <p>A. Appropriate explanation of the above.</p>	1
14.2	<p>1 mark for</p> $n^2 - 1$	1
14.3	<p>1 mark for</p> $9^2 - 1 \text{ / } 80$	1
14.4	<p>Maximum of 2 from:</p> <p>The “base case” is the terminal condition of the recursive function // prevents infinite recursive calls; it is required to terminate/end/stop the recursion/function; when a (pre-defined) condition is met.</p>	2
14.5	<p>1 mark for</p> <p>The base case $S(0) = 0$ is present</p> <p>R. The base case is present.</p> <p>1 mark for</p> <p>The function is in terms of itself/self-calling // recursive with regards to terms $S(N)$ and $S(N - 1)$.</p>	2

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15.1	<p>1 mark for</p> <p>T is directly proportional to CPI // the larger CPI is, the larger the T will be/more time taken.</p>	1
15.2	<p>1 mark for</p> <p>T is inversely proportional to S // the larger S is/higher the speed, the smaller the T will be/less amount of time taken.</p>	1
15.3	<p>1 mark for substituting values</p> $T_A = \frac{I \times 4}{3}$ $T_B = \frac{I \times 2}{2}$ <p>A. where value for I has been assumed, including 1</p> <p>1 mark for</p> <p>CPU B is faster + with qualifying statement, eg:</p> <p>CPU B is faster as one way of deciding which CPU is faster is to look at the ratio of the two times;</p> <p>CPU B is faster with a calculation/ratio of T_A and T_B shown;</p> <p>A. Equation which clearly shows ratio, eg:</p> $\frac{T_A}{T_B} = \frac{I \times 4}{3} \times \frac{2}{I \times 2} = \frac{4}{3}$ <p>A. CPU B is faster + partly accurate qualifying statement.</p> <p>R. CPU B is faster.</p> <p>R. Inaccurate qualifying statement.</p>	2
15.4	<p>1 mark for</p> <p>25%</p> <p>A. A is 33% slower than B.</p> <p>R. 33%.</p>	1

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16.1	<p>1 mark for</p> <p>$x = 5$</p> <p>1 mark for</p> <p>$y = 8$</p> <p>1 mark for</p> <p>$z = 3$</p> <p>A. The numbers 5, 8 and 3 in the correct order.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Table 6</p> <table><tr><td></td><td>Number of bits</td></tr><tr><td>an Operation Code up to a decimal value of 28 (ie the value of x)</td><td>$2^x - 1 \geq 28$ therefore: $x = 5$</td></tr><tr><td>the largest number in Operand 1 (ie the value of y)</td><td>$2^y - 1 \geq 255$ therefore $y = 8$</td></tr><tr><td>the largest number in Operand 2 (ie the value of z).</td><td>$2^z - 1 \geq 7$ therefore $z = 3$</td></tr></table>		Number of bits	an Operation Code up to a decimal value of 28 (ie the value of x)	$2^x - 1 \geq 28$ therefore: $x = 5$	the largest number in Operand 1 (ie the value of y)	$2^y - 1 \geq 255$ therefore $y = 8$	the largest number in Operand 2 (ie the value of z).	$2^z - 1 \geq 7$ therefore $z = 3$	3
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16.2	<p>1 mark for</p> <p>16 bits / $5 + 8 + 3$</p> <p>A. 16 binary digits.</p> <p>1 mark for</p> <p>2 bytes / attempt to divide bits by 8</p> <p>A. If incorrect number of bits is converted accurately to bytes.</p> <p>A. Maximum one mark if 16 and 2 are given, but the wrong way around.</p>	2								

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16.3	<p>3 marks for correct answer</p> <p>0xE507 // E507</p> <p>If answer given is not correct then award working marks as follows:</p> <p>1 mark for converting to binary</p> <p>1 mark for assigning the correct number of bits for two fields of the instruction</p> <p>11100 10100000 111</p>	3
16.4	<p>Maximum of 3 from:</p> <p>10 // 0x0A // 0A; 30 // 1E; 3 // 03;</p> <p>If answer given is not correct then award working marks as follows:</p> <p>2 marks for correctly partitioning the bits to each field of the instruction</p> <p>0101 0000 1111 0011</p> <p>A. 1 mark for the above with two fields correct.</p>	3
16.5	<p>Operand 1 and Operand 2 => 11 bits or 2^{11} bytes = 2048 bytes or 2 kB</p> <p>1 mark for</p> <p>2048 / 2048 bytes / 2048B</p> <p>A. 2047</p> <p>1 mark for</p> <p>2 / 2kB / 2KB // attempt to divide by 1000 or 1024</p> <p>A. If incorrect number of bytes is converted accurately to kilobytes.</p>	2
16.6	<p>Max no of Operation Codes = $2^5 = 32$. Therefore, he can have $32 - 28 = 4$ more Operation Codes.</p> <p>1 mark for</p> <p>4</p> <p>A. 3</p>	1

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17.1	1 mark for $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$	1
17.2	<p>Reflection in the x-axis is done by applying the mapping operator on any point $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$</p> $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ -y \end{pmatrix}$ <p>The point (x, y) is mapped onto $(x, -y)$ by reflection in the x-axis.</p> <p>1 mark for identifying the equations 1 mark for the result</p>	2
17.3	1 mark for $\begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{pmatrix}$	1
17.4	<p>Show the use of the operator in Question 17.3 in rotating R about the origin O. Assume a point R(x, y) is expressed as the matrix $R = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$.</p> <p>Rotation about the origin O is done by applying the mapping operator on any point $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$</p> $\begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \cos \alpha - y \sin \alpha \\ x \sin \alpha + y \cos \alpha \end{pmatrix}$ <p>The point (x, y) is mapped onto point $(x \cos \alpha - y \sin \alpha, x \sin \alpha + y \cos \alpha)$ by rotation about the origin O.</p> <p>1 mark for identifying the equations 1 mark for the result</p>	2

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17.5	<p>The operation for rotation about the origin is</p> $\begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{pmatrix}$ <p>The operation for reflection in the x-axis is</p> $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ <p>1 mark for identifying the correct operators</p> <p>Therefore, rotation followed by reflection on point P (x, y) is given by</p> $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha & -\cos \alpha \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$ <p>1 mark for applying the operators in the correct order 1 mark for the result</p> <p>Therefore, the mapping matrix is $\begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha & -\cos \alpha \end{pmatrix}$ in this case.</p> <p>1 mark for identifying the mapping matrix</p>	4
17.6	<p>If the operations are reversed the operator is</p> $\begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & -\cos \alpha \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$ <p>1 mark for applying the operators in the correct order 1 mark for the result</p> <p>Therefore, the two operations are not the same.</p> <p>1 mark for identifying the difference</p> <p>$\begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & -\cos \alpha \end{pmatrix}$ is not the same as $\begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha & -\cos \alpha \end{pmatrix}$</p>	3

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17.7	<p>The matrix corresponding to reflection in the line $x = y$ is $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$</p> <p>1 mark for identifying the operator matrix for reflection in the line $x = y$</p> <p>The double operation is therefore equivalent to $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$</p> <p>1 mark for identifying the double operation matrix.</p> <p>A. either side of equation. R. left side of equation only and the matrices the wrong way round.</p>	2
17.8	<p>$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$</p> <p>1 mark for</p> <p>$P'' = (3, 1)$</p> <p>A. (3,1) / 3 and 1 in the right order.</p>	1

Assessment Objectives						
Question	AO1	AO2	AO3	AO4	AO5	Question Total
Section A						
1	1c (1)					1
2	1b (1)					1
3			3c (1)			1
4		2a (1)				1
5				4c (1)		1
6	1bc (3)					3
7			3c (3)			3
8			3c (3)			3
9		2bc (2)	3c (2)			4
10	1ab (2)					2
11					5ab (6)	6
12				4de (5)		5
13		2bcd (7)				7
14			3bc (7)			7
15				4d (5)		5
Section B						
16	1bc (14)					14
17					5bc (16)	16
Totals	21	10	16	11	22	80