

MARK SCHEME for the May/June 2015 series

9608 COMPUTER SCIENCE

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Paper 3 (Written Paper), maximum raw mark 75

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1	(a) (i)	Wrong assignment operator (should be ':= ' not '=')	
	(ii)	0 is not a digit	1
	(iii)	'B' is not a number	1
	(b)	<assignmentstatement> ::= <variable> := <variable><operator><number> <variable> ::= <letter><number> <number> ::= <digit> <digit><number> <letter> ::= A B C <digit> ::= 1 2 3 4 5 <operator> ::= + - * /	1 + 1 1 1 + 1 1
	(c) (i)	Use of <u>software</u> ... (idea of using) to implement a <u>hardware</u> set-up (idea of implementing / simulating / emulating)	1 1
	(ii)	e.g. no need to acquire client hardware for testing / reduces set-up time for test system / common development system for all developers	1
	(iii)	e.g. software emulation runs slower than real hardware / not possible to emulate some hardware	1
			Total: 13
2	(a)	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Description</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;">any packet the listening computer receives may be part of a message for that computer</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;">connection provided through an access point</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;">a process for handling collisions has to be implemented</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">listening computer only receives packets that are addressed to this computer</div> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Type of LAN</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;">bus with terminators at each end</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;">star</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">wireless</div> </div> </div> <p>1 mark for correct arrow(s) from each description</p>	1 1 1 1
	(b) (i)	Server: central computer stores files that are to be downloaded	1 1

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	(ii) Command: user can send action/instruction (or by example, e.g. change directory) that are carried out on server	1
	(iii) Anonymous: allows user to access files user does not need to identify themselves to server	1 1
		Total: 10
3	(a) A Phishing B Virus C a standalone piece of software which can reproduce itself automatically D sending unsolicited emails to a distribution list	1 1 1 1
	(b) e.g. phishing problem: identity fraud / misuse of financial data solution: ignore email / don't respond to email e.g. virus problem: computer may stop working // lost files solution: running anti-virus software	1 1 or 1 1
	(c) cipher text: encrypted text which is not understandable private key: key only known to owner that can be used to encrypt message to confirm author of message // can be used by owner to decrypt a message thereby ensuring only owner can read message	1 1
	(d) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manager encrypts email • using public key of colleague • colleague decrypts email • using his/her private key 	1 1 1 1
		Total: 12
4	(a) (i) HomeAddress.ThisHouseNo ← 34	1
	(ii) DECLARE ThisHouseNo: 1..10 DECLARE ThisTown: [Brightown, Arunde, Shoram]	1 1
	(b) (i) TYPE WeatherStation DECLARE StationID : STRING DECLARE Latitude : REAL DECLARE Temperature : <u>ARRAY[1..15]</u> OF INTEGER ENDTYPE	1 1 1 + 1 1
	(ii) StationID is hashed to produce home location If home location is free insert record Else use overflow method to find free location	1 1 1
		Total: 11

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5 (a) (i)	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="3">Circuit 1</th></tr> <tr> <th>A</th><th>B</th><th>X</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>0</td><td>0</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr> <td>0</td><td>1</td><td>0</td></tr> <tr> <td>1</td><td>0</td><td>0</td></tr> <tr> <td>1</td><td>1</td><td>0</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	Circuit 1			A	B	X	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1
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(b) (i)	circuit 1 $\overline{A+B}$ circuit 2 $\overline{A} \cdot \overline{B}$	1 1																		
(ii)	$\overline{A+B} \equiv \overline{A} \cdot \overline{B}$	1																		
(c)	$\overline{(\overline{A \cdot B}) + B}$ mark as : $\overline{(\overline{A \cdot B})}$ $+ B$ bar over whole expression	1 1 1																		
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6	(a)	Control system	
	(b)	Any three different items – max 6 marks	
		heater / water pump / blinds pump ...	1
		for altering temperature / watering / light level	1
		actuator for...	1
		fan for distributing air / water pump / blinds motor	1
		analogue to digital converter / digital to analogue convertor ...	1
		converts analogue signal from sensor to digital value for processing /	
		converts digital signal to analogue signal for controlling actuator	1
		microprocessor ...	1
		executes control software	1
		warning device (speaker/buzzer/light)...	1
		to give warning if conditions out of range / hardware malfunction	1
			max 6
	(c) (i)	output of system (alter temperature / light level / soil moisture) affects input from sensors continuous	3
	(ii)	min / max / ideal / mean / extreme temperature // sampling rate // tolerance interval	1
	(iii)	reading from sensor is compared with parameter appropriate action is taken (by example)	2
	(d) (i)	reading available for processing reading value is 4	1 1
	(ii)	AND #B00000100 // AND #04 // AND #4 1 mark for AND, 1 mark for address mode, 1 mark for mask, 1 mark for indication of numbering system	max 3
			Total: 18