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**Friday 27 May 2022 – Afternoon**

**GCSE (9–1) Computer Science**

**J277/02** Computational thinking, algorithms and programming

**Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes**



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- a calculator



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- (b) Write the code to increment the score by 1.

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- (c) State the technique used to break down a problem into smaller parts.

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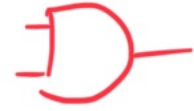
- 2 A fast food restaurant offers half-price meals if the customer is a student or has a discount card. The offer is not valid on Saturdays.

A computer system is used to identify whether the customer can have a half-price meal.

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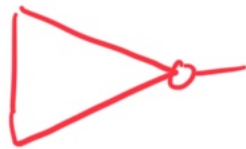
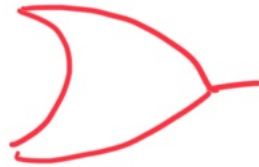
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To show every output for each of the possible inputs in a logic circuit.

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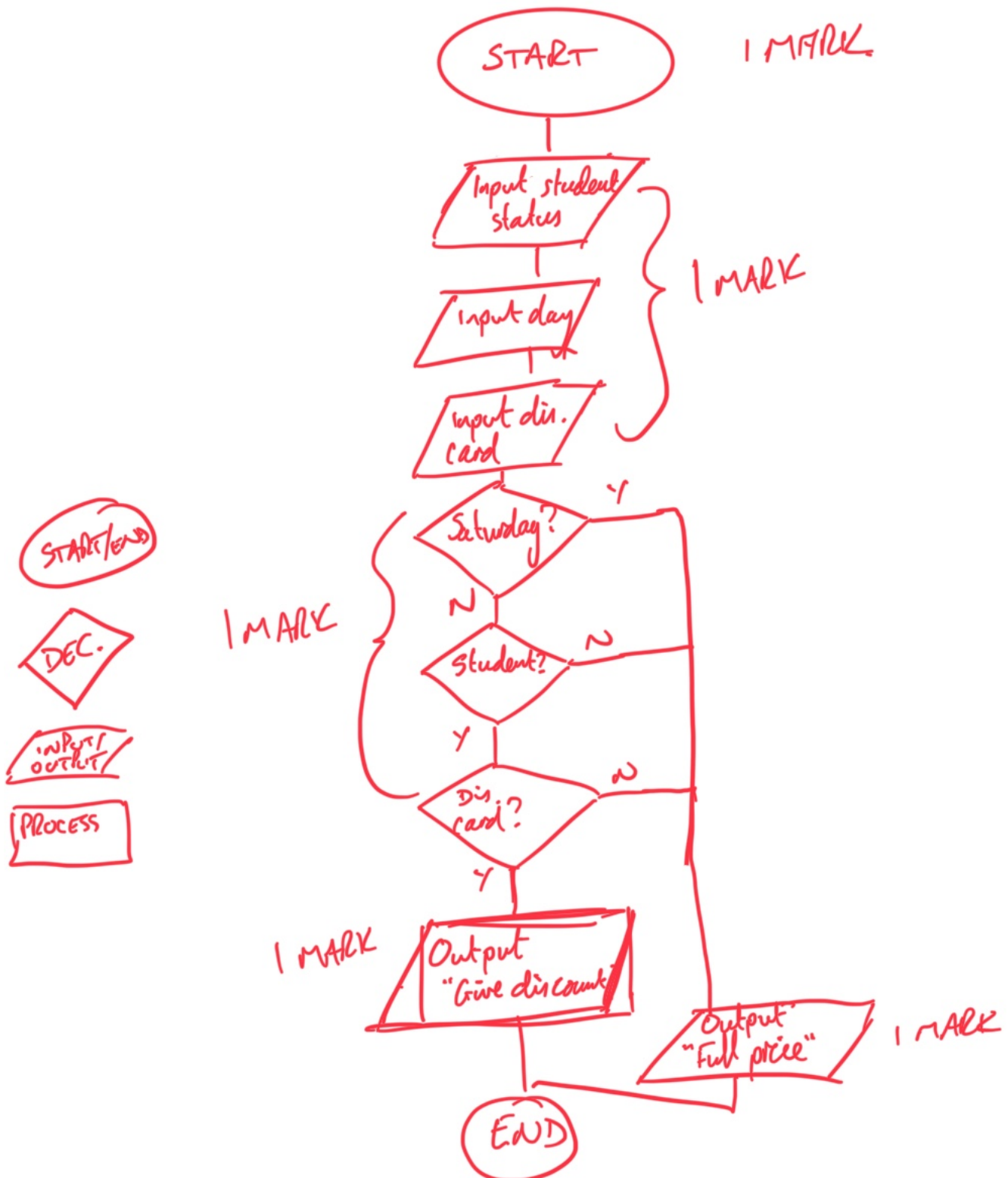
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- (b) The restaurant needs an algorithm designing to help employees work out if a customer can have a half-price meal or not. It should:

Are they a student?  
Do they have a discount card?  
Is it Sat.?





- (c) The restaurant adds a service charge to the cost of a meal depending on the number of people at a table. If there are more than five people 5% is added to the total cost of each meal.

Customers can also choose to leave a tip, this is optional and the customer can choose between a percentage of the cost, or a set amount.

Identify **all** the additional inputs that will be required for this change to the algorithm.

How many people are at the table  
Choice of tip as amount or percentage.

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- (d) Each member of staff that works in the restaurant is given a Staff ID. This is calculated using the following algorithm.

```

01 surname = input("Enter surname")
02 year = input("Enter starting year")
03 staffID = surname + str(year)
04 while staffID.length < 10
05     staffID = staffID + "x"
06 endwhile
07 print("ID " + staffID)

```

- (i) Define the term **casting** and give the line number where casting has been used in the algorithm.

Changing a data type into a different  
data type  
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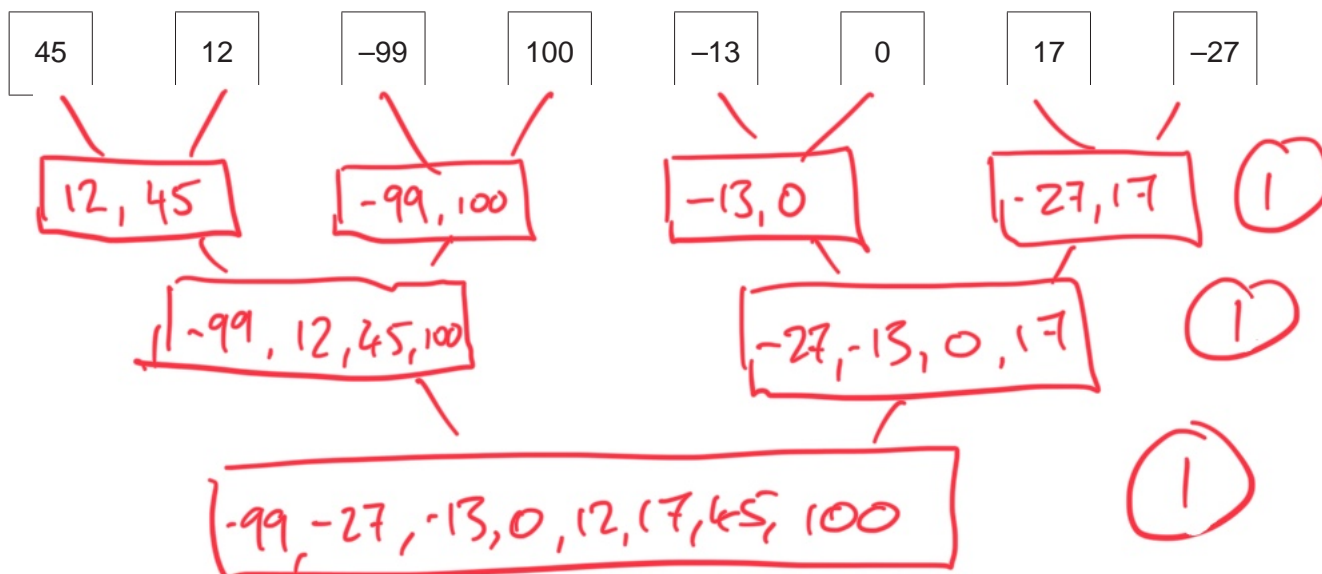
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- 3 A program stores the following list of positive and negative numbers. The numbers need sorting into ascending order using a merge sort.

45	12	-99	100	-13	0	17	-27
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- (a) The first step is to divide the list into individual lists of one number each. This has been done for you.

Complete the merge sort of the data by showing each step of the process.



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- (b) Once the numbers are in order, a binary search can be run on the data.

Describe the steps a binary search will follow to look for a number in a sorted list.

Identify the mid-point. ✓  
Compare the mid-point to the searched value ✓  
If the searched value is less than the mid-point value  
then remove all values to the right (higher) than the  
mid-point ✓  
Repeat this process until either the searched value is found  
or the list is finished without finding the value. ✓

- (c)

Start with the first value.  
Check every value in order.

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- 4 Jack is writing a program to add up some numbers. His first attempt at the program is shown.

```
a :
b :
c :
d :
e :
f :
pr:
```

*(Give his variables more sensible names)*

- (a) Give

1 .. *Write comments for each line to explain what the code does.* ...

2 .. *Use iteration for the inputs* ...

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- (b) Jac

- (i)

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	<i>Multiplication</i>
	<i>Division</i>

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- (ii) Complete the description of programming languages and translators by writing the correct term from the box in each space.

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- (c) Jack decides to improve his program. He wants to be able to input how many numbers to add together each time the algorithm runs, and also wants it to calculate and display the average of these numbers.

Write an algorithm to:

- ask the user to input the quantity of numbers they want to enter and read this value as input
- repeatedly take a number as input, until the quantity of numbers the user input has been entered
- calculate and output the total of these numbers
- calculate and output the average of these numbers.

```

number = int(input("How many numbers?"))
for i in range(0, number):
    temp = int(input("Enter a number"))
    total = total + temp
print(total)
print(total/number)

```

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## SECTION B

We advise you to spend at least 40 minutes on this section.

Some questions require you to respond using either the OCR Exam Reference Language or a high-level programming language you have studied. These are clearly shown.

- 5 Customers at a hotel can stay between 1 and 5 (inclusive) nights and can choose between a basic room or a premium room.

(a) A typical booking record is shown in the table:

f	1
£	100.00
1	100.00
1	100.00
£	100.00

(i)

State data type for the following fields:

Integer  
String

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(ii)

Field that could be stored as a Boolean data type.

stayComplete

..... [1]



- (iii) Booking records are stored in a database table called TblBookings.

The following SQL statement is written to display all customer bookings that stay more than one night.

```
SELECT ALL  
FROM TblBookings  
IF Nights < 1
```

The SQL statement is incorrect.

Rewrite the SQL statement so that it is correct.

```
.....  
SELECT *  
.....  
FROM TblBookings  
.....  
WHERE Nights > 1  
.....  
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```

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- (b) When a new booking is recorded, the details are entered into a program to validate the values. The following criteria are checked:

- `firstName` and `surname` are not empty
- `room` is either "basic" or "premium"
- `nights` is between 1 and 5 (inclusive).

If any invalid data is found "NOT ALLOWED" is displayed.

If all data is valid "ALLOWED" is displayed.

- (i) Complete the following program to validate the inputs.

You must use **either**:

- OCR Exam Reference Language, **or**
- a high-level programming language that you have studied.

```

firstName = input("Enter a first name")
surname = input("Enter a surname")
room = input("Enter basic or premium")
nights = input("Enter between 1 and 5 nights")
stayComplete = False

```

*valid = True*

*if firstName == "" OR surName == "":*

*valid = False*

*end if*

*if room != "basic" AND room != "premium":*

*valid = False*

*end if*

*if nights < 1 OR nights > 5:*

*valid = False*

*end if*

*if valid == True:*

*print("ALLOWED")*

*else:*

*print("NOT ALLOWED")*

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- (c) A Basic room costs £60 each night. A Premium room costs £80 each night.

ights and the type of room

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```
def newPrice(nights, roomType):
    if roomType == "Premium":
        cost = nights * 80
    else:
        cost = nights * 60
    return cost
```

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price of staying in a Premium

ed.

```
print(newPrice("premium", 5))
```

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- (d) The hotel has nine rooms that are numbered from room 0 to room 8.

The number of people currently staying in each room is stored in an array with the identifier `room`.

The index of `room` represents the room number.

Array `room`

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We need to move the total variable to be outside the for loop, as it currently resets the total variable to 0 every iteration through the loop. We need to change the for loop range to run from 0 to 8 as currently room 0 will not be counted.

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electric

→ int(input)

→ Maths

→ while loop

```

while ① hours != ① 0:
    hours = int(input("How many hours? ")) } ✓ ①
    electric = input("Is your car electric? ") }
    if electric == "Y": ①
        cost = hours * 2 ① price = 2
    else:
        cost = hours * 4 ①
    → print(cost)

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