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READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your centre number, candidate number and name in the spaces at the top of this page. Write in dark blue or black pen. You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams, graphs or rough working. Do not use staples, paper clips, glue or correction fluid. DO NOT WRITE IN ANY BARCODES.

Answer all questions. No marks will be awarded for using brand names of software packages or hardware.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together. The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

The maximum number of marks is 75.

This document consists of 18 printed pages and 2 blank pages.

1 Study the following pseudocode.

```
PROCEDURE FillTank()
   DECLARE Tries : INTEGER
   DECLARE Full : BOOLEAN
   Tries \leftarrow 1
   Full ← ReadSensor("F1")
   IF NOT Full
      THEN
         WHILE NOT Full AND Tries < 4
            CALL TopUp()
            Full ← ReadSensor("F1")
            Tries \leftarrow Tries + 1
         ENDWHILE
         IF Tries > 3
            THEN
               OUTPUT "Too many attempts"
            ELSE
              OUTPUT "Tank now full"
         ENDIF
      ELSE
         OUTPUT "Already full"
   ENDIF
```

ENDPROCEDURE

(a) (i))	The pseudocode includes features that make it easier to read and understand.
		State three such features.
		Feature 1
		Feature 2
		Feature 3
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(ii) Draw a program flowchart to represent the algorithm implemented in the pseudocode. Variable declarations are not required in program flowcharts.

(b) (i) Programming languages support different data types.

Complete the table by giving a suitable data type for each example value.

Example value	Data type
43	
TRUE	
-273.16	
"-273.16"	

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(ii) Evaluate each expression in the following table.

If an expression is invalid then write 'ERROR'.

Refer to the **Appendix** on page 18 for the list of built-in functions and operators.

Expression	Evaluates to
RIGHT("Stop", 3) & LEFT("ich", 2)	
MID(NUM_TO_STRING(2019), 3, 1)	
INT(NUM_TO_STRING(-273.16))	
INT(13/2)	

	source code
	object code
	corrective maintenance.
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(b)	Give three features of an Integrated Development Environment (IDE) that can help with initial error detection while writing the program.
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(a) Describe the program development cycle with reference to the following:

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3 A student is developing a program to search through a string of numeric digits to count how many times each digit occurs. The variable InString will store the string and the 1D array Result will store the count values.

The program will:

- check each character in the string to count how many times each digit occurs
- record the count for each digit using the array
- output the count for each element of the array together with the corresponding digit.
- (a) The array Result is a 1D array of type INTEGER.

Write **pseudocode** to declare the array and to initialise all elements to zero.

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(b) Write the **pseudocode** for the program.

Declare any variables you use. Do not implement the code as a subroutine.

Refer to the **Appendix** on page 18 for the list of built-in functions and operators.

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4 A program is being written to control the operation of a portable music player. One part of the program controls the output volume.

The player has two buttons, one to increase the volume and one to decrease it. Whenever a button is pressed, a procedure <code>Button()</code> is called with a parameter value representing the button as follows:

Button	Parameter value
Volume increase	10
Volume decrease	20

For example, pressing the volume increase button three times followed by pressing the volume decrease button once would result in the calls:

```
CALL Button(10) // VolLevel increased by 1
CALL Button(10) // VolLevel increased by 1
CALL Button(10) // VolLevel increased by 1
CALL Button(20) // VolLevel decreased by 1
```

The program makes use of two global variables of type INTEGER as follows:

Variable	Description
VolLevel	The current volume setting. This must be in the range 0 to 49.
MaxVol	A value that can be set to limit the maximum value of VolLevel, in order to protect the user's hearing. A value in the range 1 to 49 indicates the volume limit. A value of zero indicates that no volume limit has been set.

The procedure <code>Button()</code> will modify the value of <code>VolLevel</code> depending on which button has been pressed and whether a maximum value has been set.

(a) Write pseudocode for the procedure Button(). Declare any additional variables you use.The value of MaxVol should not be changed within the procedure.

Parameter validation is **not** necessary.

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(b) The procedure Button() is to be tested using black-box testing.

Fill in the gaps below to define three tests that could be carried out.

TEST 1 – VolLevel is changed

Parameter value: 10 MaxVol: VolLevel value before call to Button(): 48 VolLevel expected value after call to Button():

TEST 2 - VolLevel is not changed

Parameter value: 10

MaxVol:34

VolLevel value before call to Button():

VolLevel expected value after call to Button():

TEST 3 - Vollevel is not changed

Parameter value:

MaxVol:40

VolLevel value before call to Button(): 0

VolLevel expected value after call to Button():

- (c) The testing stage is part of the program development cycle.
 - (i) The program for the music player has been completed. The program does not contain any syntax errors, but testing could reveal further errors.

Identify **and** describe **one different** type of error that testing could reveal.

Type
Description
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(ii) Stub testing is a technique often used in the development of modular programs.

Describe the technique.

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5 The module headers for three modules in a program are defined in pseudocode as follows:

Pseudocode module header				
PROCEDURE Lookup(P4 : INTEGER, BYREF M4 : STRING)				
FUNCTION Update(T4 : INTEGER) RETURNS INTEGER				
FUNCTION Validate(S2 : INTEGER, P3 : STRING) RETURNS BOOLEAN				

A fourth module, Renew(), calls the three modules in the following sequence.

```
Validate()
Lookup()
Update()
```

Draw a structure chart to show the relationship between the four modules and the parameters passed between them.



Question 6 begins on the next page.

6 A text file, StudentList.txt, contains a list of information about students in a school.

Each line of the file contains a reference, name and date of birth for one student. All the information is held as strings and separated by the asterisk character ('*') as follows:

<Reference>'*'<Name>'*'<Date Of Birth>

An example of one line from the file is:

"G1234*Aleza Hilton*05062001"

The reference string may be five or eight characters in length and is unique for each student. It is made up of alphabetic and numeric characters only.

A global 1D array, Leavers, contains the references of all students who have recently left the school. The array consists of 500 elements of data type STRING. Unused elements contain the empty string "".

A program is to be written to produce a new text file, UpdatedList.txt, containing information only for students who are still attending the school.

The program is to be implemented as several modules. The outline description of three of these is as follows:

Module	Outline description	
	• Read each line from the file StudentList.txt	
ProcessStudentList()	• Check whether the Reference appears in the array using SearchLeavers ()	
	• If the Reference does not appear then write the line to the file UpdatedList.txt	
	• Return the number of lines not copied.	
	• Search for a given Reference in the array Leavers	
SearchLeavers()	• If the Reference is found, return TRUE, otherwise return FALSE	
CountTimes()	Take two parameters: the name of an array and a string.	
	• Count the number of elements that are the same as the string. Return the count value.	

(a) Write program code for the module SearchLeavers (). Declare any additional variables you use.

Visual Basic and Pascal: You should include the declaration statements for variables. Python: You should show a comment statement for each variable used with its data type.

Programming language
Program code
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The module description is repeated here for reference.

Module	Outline description			
ProcessStudentList()	•	Read each line from the file StudentList.txt		
		• Check whether the Reference appears in the array using SearchLeavers ()		
		• If the Reference does not appear then write the line to the file UpdatedList.txt		
	•	Return the number of lines not copied.		

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(c) CountTimes() is to be used to count how many unused elements there are in the Leavers array. An unused element is one that contains an empty string.

The module description is repeated here for reference.

Module	Outline description		
CountTimes()	Take two parameters: the name of an array and a string.		
	• Count the number of elements that are the same as the string. Return the count value.		

Write a statement in **program code** that uses <code>CountTimes()</code> to assign the count of unused elements to the variable <code>Result</code>.

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Appendix

Built-in functions (pseudocode)

Each function returns an error if the function call is not properly formed.

MID (ThisString : STRING, x : INTEGER, y : INTEGER) RETURNS STRING returns a string of length y starting at position x from ThisString

Example: MID ("ABCDEFGH", 2, 3) returns "BCD"

LENGTH (ThisString : STRING) RETURNS INTEGER returns the integer value representing the length of ThisString

Example: LENGTH ("Happy Days") returns 10

LEFT (ThisString : STRING, x : INTEGER) RETURNS STRING returns leftmost x characters from ThisString

Example: LEFT ("ABCDEFGH", 3) returns "ABC"

RIGHT (ThisString: STRING, x : INTEGER) RETURNS STRING returns rightmost x characters from ThisString

Example: RIGHT("ABCDEFGH", 3) returns "FGH"

INT (x : REAL) RETURNS INTEGER returns the integer part of x

Example: INT (27.5415) returns 27

NUM_TO_STRING(x : REAL) RETURNS STRING returns a string representation of a numeric value. Note: This function will also work if x is of type INTEGER

Example: NUM_TO_STRING(87.5) returns "87.5"

STRING_TO_NUM(x : STRING) RETURNS REAL returns a numeric representation of a string. Note: This function will also work if x is of type CHAR

Example: STRING_TO_NUM("23.45") returns 23.45

Operators (pseudocode)

Operator	Description					
æ	Concatenates (joins) two strings Example: "Summer" & " " & "Pudding" produces "Summer Pudding"					
AND	Performs a logical AND on two Boolean values Example: TRUE AND FALSE produces FALSE					
OR	Performs a logical OR on two Boolean values Example: TRUE OR FALSE produces TRUE					

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