## MARK SCHEME for the October/November 2013 series

## 9691 COMPUTING

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Paper 3 (Written Paper), maximum raw mark 90

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1 (a) (i) $x y-5 /$
(ii) $2 \frac{4 \mathrm{a} * 1}{1}+1$
$2^{\text {nd }}$ mark for completely correct
(b) Evidence for 12 or 6

Answer 2
(c) (i) In-order traversal // (traverse each subtree in) the order left-root-right
(ii) $12 / b * h *$
(iii) Post(-order) traversal // (Traverse/visit each subtree in) the order left-right-root
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2 (a) Security is improved/better managed
Different users can have different 'views' of/access to data
Program-data independence
// Changing a field does not require an applications program re-write
Queries and reports quickly produced
Reduced data duplication/ repetition/redundancy
Reduced data inconsistencies
Better managed /or similar data integrity/data validation // Validation code does not need to be present in all applications programs
If implemented with a DBMS it will allow concurrent access to the database
(b) (i) Many product can be supplied by one supplier // many-to-one // M:1
(ii) Many products appear on many orders // many-to-many // M:M
(c) (i)


Intermediate table (not labelled PRODUCT, ORDER, etc.)
2 X one-to-many relationship
(ii) Primary key of PRODUCT/Primary key ProductID // Primary key of ORDER

Is used as a foreign key in the link table

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(d) (i) (Yes) since there is a not a repeated group of attributes
(ii) (Yes) since there is only a single attribute primary key // there are no partial dependencies // all non-key attr. are dependent on the primary key
(iii) There are dependent non-key attributes //

SupplierName and/or SupplierTelNo are dependent on SupplierID
(iv) PRODUCT(ProductID, ProductDescription, RetailPrice, SupplierID)

SUPPLIER(SupplierID, SupplierName, SupplierTelNumber)
If primary key not-indicated penalise once only
(e) Avoids data duplication/avoids repeated data // reduces data redundancy

Avoids data inconsistencies
Ensures data integrity
(f) SELECT CustomerID, OrderNo

FROM ORDER
WHERE OrderDate $=$ \#15/01/2014\# AND PaymentMethod = ' D'
(AND ISPaid $=$ TRUE)
Do not penalise imprecise syntax in the WHERE line
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3 (a) Temporary storage location
general purpose/special (purpose)
Inside the (micro)processor
(b) (i) 3 C
(ii) 271
(iii) Fewer digits used to represent any number // long string difficult to interpret

Less likely to make a mistake when copying/converting a digit string
Easy to convert from binary to hex (vice versa) than binary to denary
R. Hex is easier to understand/write

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(c) (i) 2 bytes
(ii) The Program Counter contains 30

MAR $\leftarrow[P C] \quad / /$ MAR given the contents of the PC
$\mathrm{PC} \leftarrow[\mathrm{PC}]+1 / / \mathrm{PC}$ is incremented
MDR $\leftarrow[$ [MAR] ] // The contents of the address in MAR is copied to MDR
CIR $\leftarrow[M D R] \quad / /$ The contents of MDR are copied to CIR
OR ... If the candidate's answer uses the suggested instruction:
The Program Counter contains 30
PC contents are copied to MAR
PC contents are incremented to 31
The contents of address $30 / 2150$ is copied to MDR
MDR contents / 2150 is copied to CIR
(d)

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4 (a) A class is the design/blueprint/template (from which objects are later created)

An object is an instance of a class
An object must be based on a class definition
Many objects can exist for the same class
(b) The class diagram includes:

ADMIN + PROJECTSTAFF subclasses of EMPLOYEE
PROGRAMMER + TECHAUTHOR subclasses of PROJECTSTAFF
Recognised notation for inheritance
EMPLOYEE class FullTimeIndicator : BOOLEAN // CHAR
Salary(Grade) : any except DATE/BOOLEAN
ADMIN class Department : STRING
PROJECTSTAFF class ProjectTeam : STRING

PROGRAMMER class ProgrammingLanguage : STRING

TECHAUTHOR class SoftwareSpecialism : STRING
NB: check for any attribute repeated in a child class. If present score 0 .
MAX 8
(c) Encapsulation

Combining together of an object's properties/data and the methods
Restricts the programmer's access to the object's data // provides for 'data hiding'
Data values can only be read/written using the methods of the class
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(a) Boolean
Flags when the input name is found
//Serial search algorithm
INPUT SearchName
IsFound \leftarrow FALSE
Index < < 
REPEAT
    IF Customer[Index] = SearchName Allow '(' and ')'
        THEN
            IsFound < TRUE
            OUTPUT "FOUND" at position Index
            ELSE
                Index & Index + 1
    ENDIF
UNTIL (IsFound = TRUE) OR Index=101 / >100
IF IsFound = FALSE // Index = 101/>100
THEN
OUTPUT "Customer name was NOT FOUND"
ENDIF
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                [1][1]
    (b) $50 / /$ half the number of customers
(c) (i) Items in order
(ii) The function makes a call to itself (in two places)
(iii) BinarySearch (Surname, "Hwang", 1, 11)

| Low | High | Middle | RETURNS ... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 11 | 6 |  |
| $(1)$ | 5 | 3 |  |
| 4 | $(5)$ | 4 | 4 |
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6 (a)


Mark as follows ...
-126 binary
-5 binary
Correct final pattern (f/t from their -126 and -5)
Answer is incorrect since outside range possible represented with single byte // answer overflows// final bit pattern is NOT -131
(b) (i) Mantissa: +13/16

Exponent: +3
Number: $+13 / 16 \times 2^{+3} / /$ evidence of shifting the mantissa three places
6.5
(ii) The mantissa starts with the digits 01
// the first two bits in the mantissa are different
(iii) More bits used for the mantissa will result in greater accuracy/precision More bits used for the exponent will result in larger range of numbers
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7 Possible answers include:
(a) Encryption of email traffic

Email data if intercepted cannot be read
Encryption of passwords // logging-in to "something"
Designed to prevent unauthorised access
Hospital patient records
Will safeguard the privacy/confidentially of data
(b) Plain text

The (message) text/data/ before encryption // unaltered text/original text
Cipher text
The (message) text after encryption
(c) Symmetric encryption

The plain text /data is encrypted using ...
An encryption key
Decryption is done using the same/ or by implication key ......
and a matching decryption algorithm/process
(d) Authorisation

Different permissions granted to different users
Restricted access to certain data files/directories/physical devices
User IDs

## Authentication

## Passwords

(Digital) signature // (Digital) certificate
Use of biometric data and methods

