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### **9691 COMPUTING**

**9691/23**

Paper 2 (Written Paper), maximum raw mark 75

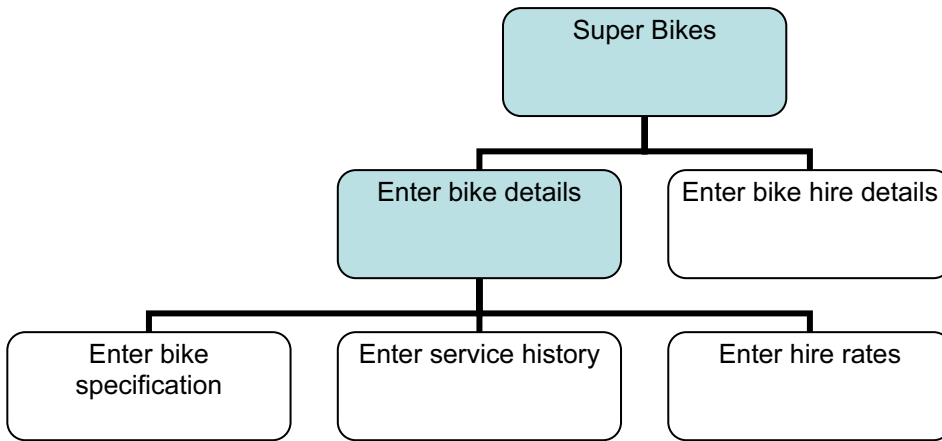
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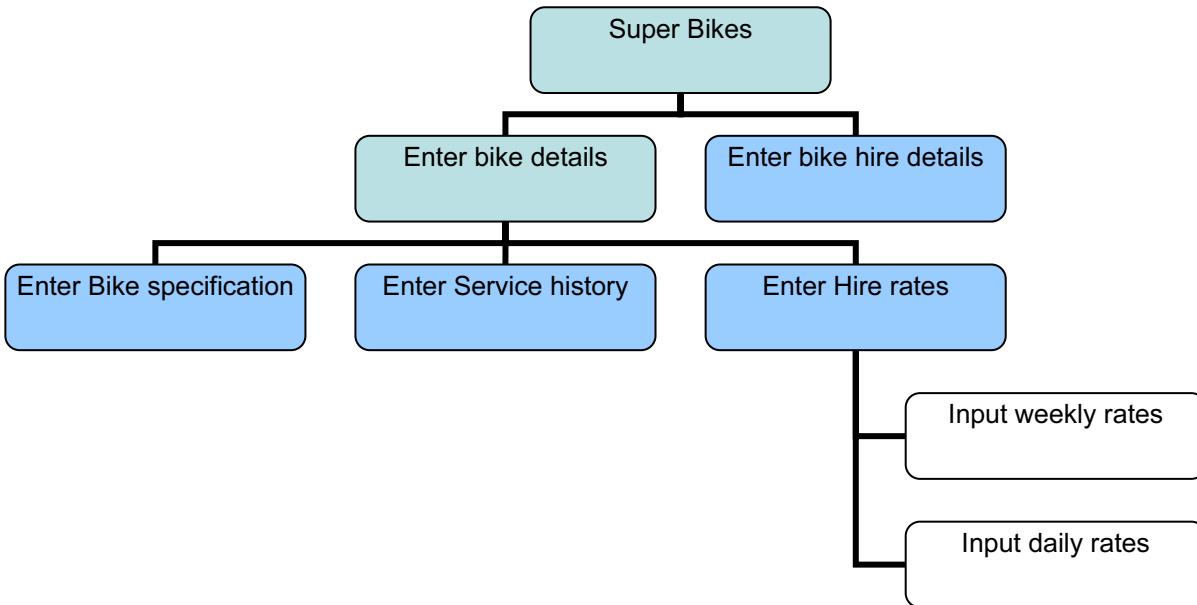
1 (a) Enter bike details



1 mark for correct order  
1 mark for correct level

[2]

(b)



1 mark for 2 blocks under Enter Hire Rates

[1]

(c) (i) Invalid

(ii) Invalid

(iii) road is valid

[3]

(d) IF (BikeType="trial") OR (BikeType="scooter") OR (BikeType="road")

[1]

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(e) (i) e.g. Pascal

```

1  VAR BikeRegValid : Boolean;
2  BikeRegValid := TRUE;
3  IF length(BikeReg) <> 5
4    THEN BikeRegValid := FALSE;
5  IF NOT((RIGHT(BikeReg,3)>='000')
6    AND (RIGHT(BikeReg,3)<='999'))
7    THEN BikeRegValid := FALSE;
8  IF LEFT(BikeReg,2) <> 'BK'
9    THEN BikeRegValid := FALSE;
10 IF BikeRegValid
11   THEN writeln('valid')
12   ELSE writeln('invalid');
```

e.g. VB 2005

```

1  BOOLEAN BikeRegValid
2  BikeRegValid = TRUE
3  IF LEN(BikeReg) <> 5 THEN
4    BikeRegValid = FALSE
5  END IF
6  IF NOT(MID(BikeReg,3,3)>="000"
7    AND MID(BikeReg,3,3)<="999") THEN
8    BikeRegValid = FALSE
9  END IF
10 IF MID(BikeReg,1,2) <> "BK" THEN
11   BikeRegValid = FALSE
12 END IF
13 IF BikeRegValid THEN
14   Console.WriteLine("valid")
15 Else Console.WriteLine("invalid")
16 END IF
```

e.g. C#

```

1  bool bikeRegValid = true;
2  if (bikeReg.Length != 5)
3  {
4    bikeRegValid = false;
5  }
6  if (!(bikeReg.Substring(3,3)>="000"
7    && (bikeReg.Substring(3,3)<="999")))
8  {
9    bikeRegValid = false;
10 }
11 if (bikeReg.Substring(1,2) != "BK")
12 {
13   bikeRegValid = false;
14 }
15 if (bikeRegValid)
16 {
17   Console.WriteLine("valid");
18 }
19 else
20 {
21   Console.WriteLine("invalid");
22 }
```

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e.g. Python

```

1     bikeReg = input()
2     bikeRegValid = True
3     if len(bikeReg) != 5:
4         bikeRegValid = False
5     if ((bikeReg[2:5] >='000') & (bikeReg[2:5] <= '999')) != True:
6         bikeRegValid = False
7     if bikeReg[0:2]!='BK':
8         bikeRegValid = False
9     if bikeRegValid:
10        print ('valid')
11    else:
12        print ('invalid')
```

*1 mark for checking length is 5 characters*

*1 mark for correct separating 1<sup>st</sup> two characters*

*1 mark for testing first two characters are BK*

*1 mark for separating last three characters*

*1 mark for testing last three characters are digits*

*1 mark for initialising Boolean value*

*1 mark for changing Boolean value if error*

*1 mark for suitable message*

*1 mark for meaningful variable names used*

*1 mark for indentation*

[10]

(ii) – digits first 3 characters, rather than last 3 characters

– in above example at line numbers 5/6 (Pascal), 6/7 (VB, C#)

[2]

(f) (i) – regards a block of software as an entity or black box

– tests inputs

– give correct outputs

[3]

(ii) – takes every possible path

– through the block of code

– done by a programmer

[3]

**2 (a)**

	Position	Row<=30	Position <=4	BikeReg <>"BBB"	BikeSpace				
					[1,1]	[1,2]	[1,3]	[1,4]	[2,1]
1	1	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	BK707				
	2					BK380			
	3						BK162		
	4							BK747	
	5		FALSE						
2	1		TRUE						BK913

1 mark for second decision in heading  
 1 mark for third decision in heading  
 1 mark for correct array elements in heading  
 1 mark for correct values into array elements  
 1 mark for correct values in first 5 columns  
 1 mark for correct placing of FALSE

[6]

**(b) e.g. Pascal**

```

Row := 1;
REPEAT
  Position := 1;
  REPEAT
    READLN(BikeReg);
    IF BikeReg = 'BBB' THEN Exit;
    BikeSpace[Row,Position] := BikeReg;
    Position := Position + 1;
  UNTIL Position > 4;
  Row := Row + 1;
UNTIL Row > 30;
  
```

**e.g. VB 2005**

```

Row = 1
DO
  Position = 1
  DO
    BikeReg = CONSOLE.READLINE()
    IF BikeReg = "BBB" THEN EXIT
    BikeSpace(Row,Position) = BikeReg
    Position = Position + 1 \ Position += 1
  LOOP UNTIL Position > 4
  Row = Row + 1 \ Row += 1
LOOP UNTIL Row > 30
  
```

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e.g. C#

```

row := 1;
do
{
    position := 1;
    do
    {
        bikeReg = Console.ReadLine();
        if (bikeReg = "BBB")
        {
            exit;
        }
        bikeSpace[row,position] = bikeReg;
        position := position + 1;//position += 1;
    }
    WHILE (position <= 4)
    row := row + 1; // row += 1;
}
WHILE (row <= 30)

```

*1 mark for correct repeat loops*

*1 mark for correctly nested loops*

*1 mark for input in correct place*

*1 mark for correct incrementation*

*1 mark for checking for rogue value*

*1 mark for assignment to correct array element*

*1 mark for indentation*

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**(c) (i)** 0 (zero)

[1]

**(ii)** Run-time error (Allow logic error, arithmetic error)

[1]

**(iii)** – check the value of the bracket before the division takes place // write error trapping code

– if bracket = 0 arrange for a message to be output // exception code

[2]

*Accept answers in code*

**(d)** – set breakpoint at the beginning of the code under scrutiny

– select the variables in the watch window ...

– ... whose values need checking

– ... while stepping through the program code

– a line at a time

[4]

**3** – date (month alone sufficient)

–suitable report title

– company name

– tabulated or other suitable layout

– grouped by insurance rating

– total income for each group shown

– well spaced out (making use of whole frame)

(if clearly a screen design do not give this mark)

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4 (a)

	Data Type	Size of Field (bytes)
BikeReg	String/alphanumeric/text	5
PurchaseCost	Currency/integer/real/decimal	8 (accept 4–8)
InsuranceRating	Char	1
ServiceDue	Boolean	1

[4]

- (b) (5 + 8 + 1 + 1)  
 \* 1000 / 1024  
 \* 1.1 (or equivalent)  
 = 16.1KB (f.t.)

[4]

(c) (i) e.g. Pascal

```
TYPE HireBike = RECORD
    BikeReg: String[5];
    PurchaseCost: Currency;
    InsuranceRating: Char;
    ServiceDue: Boolean;
END;
```

e.g. VB 2005

```
STRUCTURE HireBike
    DIM BikeReg AS String
    DIM PurchaseCost AS Decimal
    DIM InsuranceRating AS Char
    DIM ServiceDue AS Boolean
END STRUCTURE
```

e.g. C#

```
struct hireBike
{
    public string bikeReg;
    public decimal purchaseCost;
    public char insuranceRating;
    public bool serviceDue;
}
```

- 1 mark for correct record heading*  
*1 mark for correct record structure ending*  
*1 mark for first 2 fields*  
*1 mark each for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> field*

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(ii) e.g. Pascal

```

ASSIGNFILE (FS, 'SuperBikes');
RESET (FS);
BikesForService := 0;
WHILE NOT EOF (FS) DO
BEGIN
    Read (FS, HireBike);
    IF HireBike.ServiceDue
        THEN
            BikesForService:=BikesForService+1;
END;
WRITELN('Number of bikes for service: ',
        BikesForService);
CloseFile (FS);

```

e.g. VB 2005

```

FS = NEW FileStream("SuperBikes",
                   FileMode.open)
BR = NEW BinaryReader (FS)
BikesForService = 0
DO WHILE FS.Position < FS.Length
    HireBike.ServiceDue =
        BR.ReadBoolean ()
    IF HireBike.ServiceDue THEN
        BikesForService = BikesForService + 1
LOOP
WRITELINE("Number of bikes for service: ",
          BikesForService);
BR.Close ()
FS.Close ()

```

e.g. C#

```

fs = new FileStream("SuperBikes", FileMode.Open);
br = new BinaryReader (fs);
bikesForService = 0;
do
{
    hireBike.ServiceDue =br.Readbool ();
    IF (hireBike.ServiceDue)
    {
        bikesForService:=bikesForService+1;
    }
}
while (fs.Position < fs.Length);
Console.WriteLine("Number of bikes
                  for service: ",bikesForService);
br.Close ();
fs.Close;

```

- 1 mark for initialising total*
- 1 mark for assigning file name*
- 1 mark for opening file for reading*
- 1 mark for repeat/while loop*
- 1 mark for reading record*
- 1 mark for testing 'service due' field set to true*
- 1 mark for incrementing total*
- 1 mark for outputting total*
- 1 mark for closing file*

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