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**PUBLISHED****Generic Marking Principles**

These general marking principles must be applied by all examiners when marking candidate answers. They should be applied alongside the specific content of the mark scheme or generic level descriptors for a question. Each question paper and mark scheme will also comply with these marking principles.

**GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 1:**

Marks must be awarded in line with:

- the specific content of the mark scheme or the generic level descriptors for the question
- the specific skills defined in the mark scheme or in the generic level descriptors for the question
- the standard of response required by a candidate as exemplified by the standardisation scripts.

**GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 2:**

Marks awarded are always **whole marks** (not half marks, or other fractions).

**GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 3:**

Marks must be awarded **positively**:

- marks are awarded for correct/valid answers, as defined in the mark scheme. However, credit is given for valid answers which go beyond the scope of the syllabus and mark scheme, referring to your Team Leader as appropriate
- marks are awarded when candidates clearly demonstrate what they know and can do
- marks are not deducted for errors
- marks are not deducted for omissions
- answers should only be judged on the quality of spelling, punctuation and grammar when these features are specifically assessed by the question as indicated by the mark scheme. The meaning, however, should be unambiguous.

**GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 4:**

Rules must be applied consistently e.g. in situations where candidates have not followed instructions or in the application of generic level descriptors.

**GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 5:**

Marks should be awarded using the full range of marks defined in the mark scheme for the question (however; the use of the full mark range may be limited according to the quality of the candidate responses seen).

**GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 6:**

Marks awarded are based solely on the requirements as defined in the mark scheme. Marks should not be awarded with grade thresholds or grade descriptors in mind.

Question	Answer	Marks
1(a)(i)	1 mark per bullet point: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Correct value for exponent identified e.g. <math>(0.010101 \times 2^5)</math></li> <li>• Used to give correct value e.g. 1010.1 or <math>21/64 \times 32</math></li> <li>• Correct answer i.e. 10.5 // <math>10\frac{1}{2}</math></li> </ul>	<b>3</b>
1(a)(ii)	1 mark per bullet point: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Correct binary value i.e. 111.1</li> <li>• Value for exponent identified e.g. <math>(0.1111 \times 2^3)</math></li> <li>• Correct answer i.e. 01111000 00000011</li> </ul>	<b>3</b>
1(a)(iii)	1 mark per bullet point: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Any working method for conversion</li> <li>• Applied accurately</li> <li>• Correct answer i.e. 10001000 00000011</li> </ul>	<b>3</b>
1(b)(i)	<u>Largest</u> (positive) number (in this format)	<b>1</b>
1(b)(ii)	Overflow // too large to represent // would become negative	<b>1</b>

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2(a)	1 mark per bullet point to max 3: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must have a <u>central</u> device</li> <li>• Each node is connected to the central device</li> <li>• Each node has a dedicated connection</li> <li>• Each connection must be bidirectional</li> <li>• Nodes may operate under different protocols</li> </ul>	<b>3</b>
2(b)(i)	1 mark per bullet point to max 2: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• dedicated circuit/channel/(physical) path</li> <li>• connection established before/at the start of the communication</li> <li>• which lasts for duration of connection // circuit released at end of the communication</li> <li>• all data is transmitted along the same route</li> </ul>	<b>2</b>

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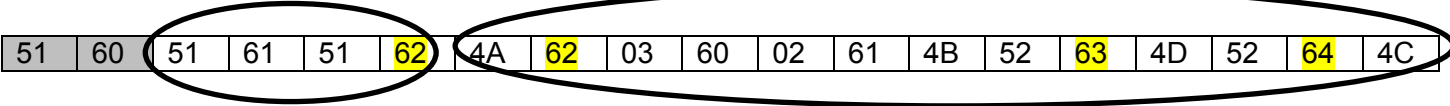
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3(a)	<p>1 mark per bullet point to max 3:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Correct use of Idempotent law <math>Y = Y.Y</math> <math>Y = Y + Y</math></li> <li>• Correct use of Complement law <math>0 = Y.\bar{Y}</math> <math>1 = Y + \bar{Y}</math></li> <li>• Correct use of Distributive law <math>X(Y + Z) = X.Y + X.Z</math></li> <li>• Correct use of Redundancy law <math>X.\bar{Y} + Y = X + Y</math></li> <li>• Correct use of identity law <math>X.1 = X</math></li> </ul> <p>1 mark for the correct answer</p> <p>For example:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;"><math>X = A.\bar{B}.\bar{C} + A.B.\bar{C} + A.B.C</math></td> <td>Idempotent law</td> </tr> <tr> <td><math>X = A.\bar{B}.\bar{C} + A.B.\bar{C} + A.B.\bar{C} + A.B.C</math></td> <td>Distributive law</td> </tr> <tr> <td><math>X = A.\bar{C}.\bar{B} + A.B.\bar{C} + A.B.C</math></td> <td>Complement/Inverse law</td> </tr> <tr> <td><math>X = A.\bar{C} + A.B</math></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><math>X = A.\bar{C} + A.B</math></td> <td>Correct answer</td> </tr> <tr> <td> </td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><math>X = A.\bar{B}.\bar{C} + A.B.\bar{C} + A.B.C</math></td> <td>Distributive law</td> </tr> <tr> <td><math>X = A.\bar{C}.\bar{B} + A.B.C</math></td> <td>Complement/Inverse law</td> </tr> <tr> <td><math>X = A.\bar{C} + A.B.C</math></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><math>X = A.\bar{C} + A.B.C</math></td> <td>Redundancy Law</td> </tr> <tr> <td><math>X = A.\bar{C} + A.B</math></td> <td>Correct answer</td> </tr> </table>	$X = A.\bar{B}.\bar{C} + A.B.\bar{C} + A.B.C$	Idempotent law	$X = A.\bar{B}.\bar{C} + A.B.\bar{C} + A.B.\bar{C} + A.B.C$	Distributive law	$X = A.\bar{C}.\bar{B} + A.B.\bar{C} + A.B.C$	Complement/Inverse law	$X = A.\bar{C} + A.B$		$X = A.\bar{C} + A.B$	Correct answer	 		$X = A.\bar{B}.\bar{C} + A.B.\bar{C} + A.B.C$	Distributive law	$X = A.\bar{C}.\bar{B} + A.B.C$	Complement/Inverse law	$X = A.\bar{C} + A.B.C$		$X = A.\bar{C} + A.B.C$	Redundancy Law	$X = A.\bar{C} + A.B$	Correct answer	<b>4</b>
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4(c)(iii)	1 mark per bullet point: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Code has fewer instructions/occupies less space in memory</li> <li>• shortens execution time of program // time taken to execute whole program decreases</li> </ul>	2
4(d)	<p style="text-align: center;">1 mark ←      1 mark      → 1 mark</p> <p>1 mark no operators on the stack anywhere</p>	4

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