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Topic 33: Computers

Performance objectives

33.1 Know about computers and their uses

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What is a computer? A computer is an electronic device that performs numerical calculations and operations as provided by a programme. It is powered by electricity. Most computers store huge amounts of **data**. Computers are used to utilise this data, which is in the form of information, to provide solutions to problems. Computers can be used in the real world for many purposes depending on their capabilities. They perform functions at great speeds.

### Classification of computers




Computers are classified into different types based on the following criteria:





- size
- degree of versatility
- generation
- type of data handled



### Classification by size

Computers are classified into different types based on size, from the smallest to the largest. Computers are classified into the following types:



- micro computers
- mini computers







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