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INTRODUCTION TO C PROGRAMMING

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DATA TYPES

- **In general, for many high level languages, a *data type* is the property or attributes of data.**
- **Each *data type* will have some values associated and some operations those can be performed on the data values.**
- **Before using a data in the program, the data variable has to be defined first with an appropriate *data type*.**
- **C language is very specific in type checking.**
- **The operations on the data also define what type of problems can be solved with a given *data type*.**

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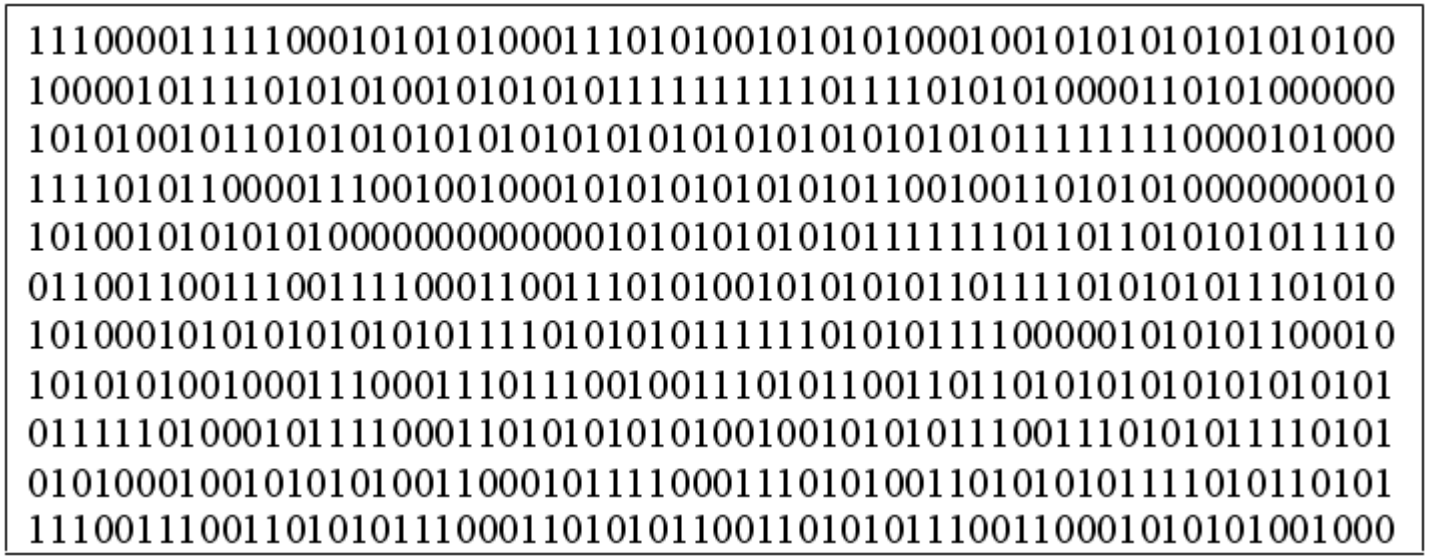

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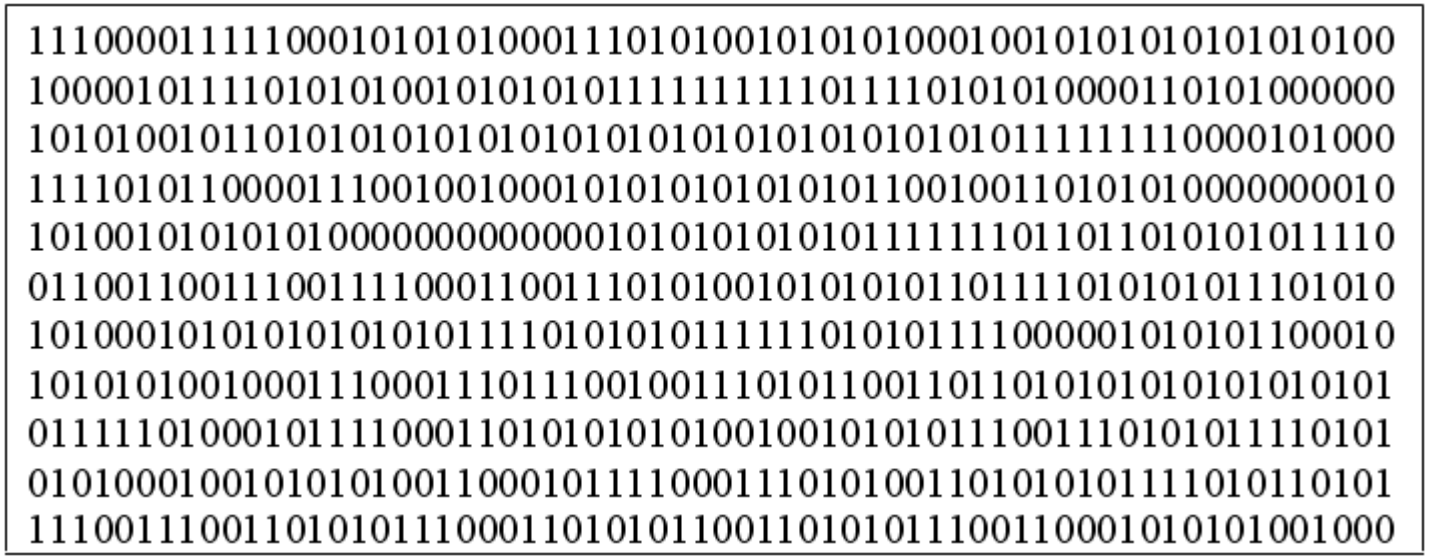

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DATA STRUCTURES AND C

- **The study of *data structures* involves identifying and developing mathematical entities and using these entities and operations including determining what classes of problems can be solved.**
- **It also involves determination of representations for those abstract entities and to implement the abstract operations on these concrete representations.**
- ***Building data structures* involves developing higher level of data structures from already known data structures.**
- **Some of the already known data structures would be the primitive *data types* supported by the language itself.**
- **Using efficient algorithms and newly developed data structures enhance the effectiveness of programs to solve software problems.**
- **Definition of formal data types with their values and operations need to be performed on those values would help understand the behavior of newly evolved data structures.**

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FIRST C PROGRAM

```
#include<stdio.h>

int main()
{
    printf ("Hello World\n");
    return 0;
}
```

- #include is a preprocessor directive.
- stdio.h lets user call system commands to read input to the program and write output from the program.
- *main* is a starting function of a program.

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In C language all *system calls* are functions.

- **Every function has to return something to the calling program including main.**
- **Functions may or may not take arguments depending on how they are defined.**
- **{} Curly braces are used for multiple statements under any statement.**
- ***printf* is a system call for writing output formatted.**
- ***return* statement will return whatever is defined at the function definition. In this case main function is defined to return an integer value.**