# Sample RAG Practice Document: Introduction to Data Structures

This document is created for practicing Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG). It contains structured text about common data structures and algorithms. Each section provides definitions, characteristics, and example use cases. The document is intentionally verbose to provide enough content for chunking and retrieval exercises. You can use this PDF to test embedding, chunking, vector search, and retrieval workflows.

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