ABSTRACT DATA TYPES

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WHAT IS A DATATYPE?

- A classification that indicates what a variable or object can hold
- Defines a certain domain of values
- Defines operations allowed on those values



int type - Takes integer values. Allows operations like addition, subtraction, multiplication, division etc.



USER DEFINED DATATYPE

The operations of user defined datatypes are specified by users

Examples:

structure, union, enumerations

By using structure we are defing our own datatype by combining other datatypes

```
struct student{
    int class;
    int roll;
}
```







DEFINITION AND IMPLEMENTATION

ADTs are like user defined datatypes which defines operations on values using **functions** without specifying what is there inside the functions and how operations are performed

EXAMPLE: Stack ADT - consists of elements of same type arranged in a sequential order, implemented by using arrays and linkedlists

Operations: initialize()- initialising it to be empty.

push()- insert an element into the stack.

pop()- remove an element from the stack.

isEmpty()- checks if the stack is empty or not.

isFull()- checks if the stack is full or not.



ADVANTAGES

Acts as a black box and interface.

A user's actions are not affected if the underlying implementation of an ADT is changed as the client program has nothing to do with it.

ADT provides
ABSTRACTION



