



# WHY ARE THEY IMPORTANT DATA STRUCTURES



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# This is the 1st of the series of Posts on **DataStructures** and **Algorithms**

Starting from basics to complex stuff

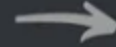
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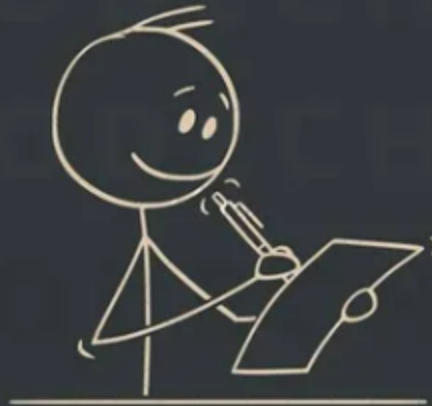
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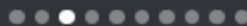
Lets say you have 3 story  
scripts and you need to store it safely



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You have number of possible ways to store it

But it should be **efficient** to access and **manage** the scripts later when needed





That is where the power of **data structures** helps

## What is a Data Structure ?

DS is a way to store and organize data so that it can be used efficiently



lets use DS now !



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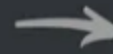


## These can be stored in an Array

Think of it as a series of boxes



Now when we need to get a particular script we can quickly access it by its **index** i.e. Box number



What if all 3 scripts are interlinked stories and you need to have connectivity between them

Now **Linked list** can be used to store them





Knowing what data structure to use is necessary to

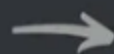
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make and support data  
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Understanding the complexity, the algorithm efficiency, best tool for the job separates the average from the above average programmer



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