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UNIT – I INTRODUCTION TO C

Topic: Fundamentals of Computer, Computer Hardware, Computer Software

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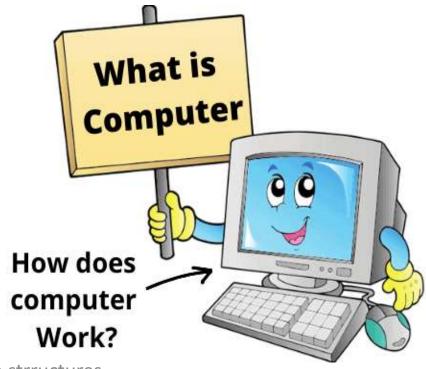
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What is Computer?

- The computer is an electronic machine that takes input from user, process the given input and generates output.
- In the form of useful information.
- The input is data, programs, user reply.







Parts of Computer:



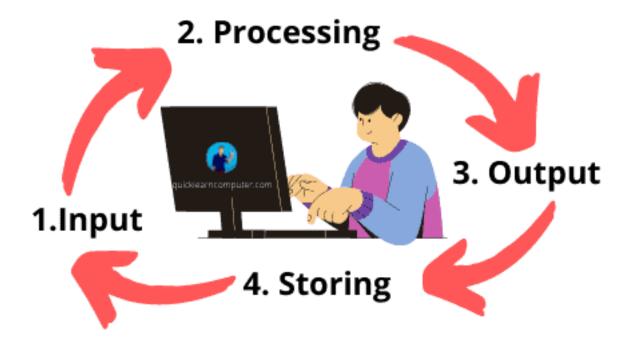




Functionalities of Computer:

- 1.Input Function
- 2. Processing Function
- 3. Output Function
- 4. Storing Function

Basic Functions of Computer

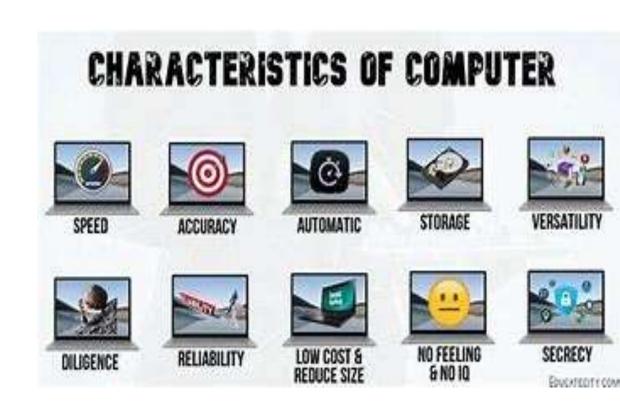






Characteristics of Computers:

- 1. High Speed
- 2. Accuracy
- 3. Storage Capability
- 4. Diligence
- 5. Versatility
- 6. Reliability
- 7. Automation
- 8. Reduction in Paper Work and Cost







Generations of Computer:

Generations	Period	Technology
Early Period	1000BC-1940	Abacus, Pascal
1 st generation	1946-1954	Vacuum Tubes
2 nd generation	1955-1964	Transistors
3 rd generation	1964-1977	Integrated Circuits
4 th generation	Since 1975	Large Scale Integration
5 th generation	Since 1980	Artificial Intelligence





First Generation

Second Generation



Third Generation



Fourth Generation



Fifth Generation





Classifications of Computer System:

- Classification of Computers On the Basis of Size
 - 1.Micro Computer
 - 2.Mini Computer
 - 3. Mainframe computer
 - 4.Super Computer
- Classification of Computer On the Basis of Type
 - 1. Analog Computer
 - 2. Digital Computer
 - 3. Hybrid Computer
- Classification of Computer According to Purpose
 - 1.Special Purpose computer
 - 2.General Purpose computer





Building Blocks of Computers



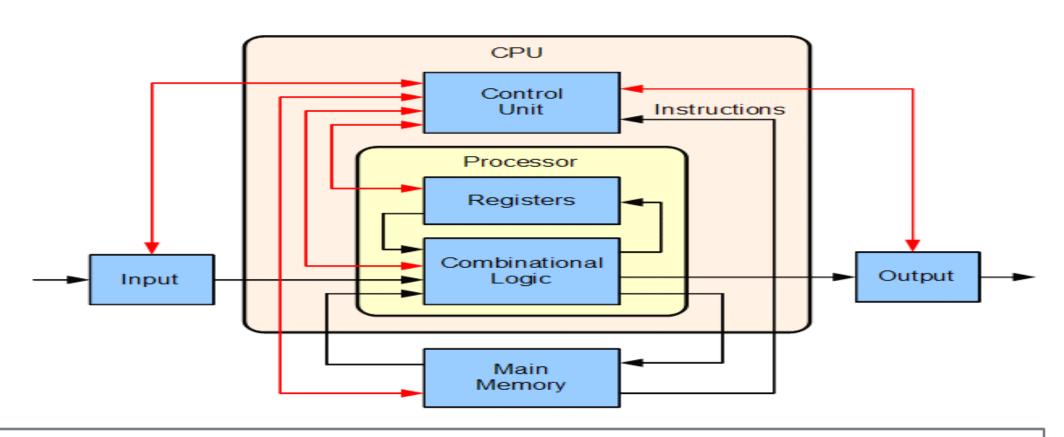


BUILDING BLOCK OF COMPUTER

- Structure diagram consists of input devices, processing units and output devices.
- There are three units in building a computer.







Building Blocks of Computer





1. Input unit

- ✓ Used to receive data and instruction from users
- ✓ Converts the data and instructions to machine readable code.
- ✓ Common input devices are keyboard, mouse, joystick, scanner, etc.





FUNCTIONS OF INPUT UNIT

- Accept the data and instructions from outside world.
- Convert it to a form that the computer can understand.
- **Supply** the converted data to the computer system for further processing.





2. PROCESSING UNIT

- It is the brain of the computer.
- CPU performs actual processing of data according to instructions from programs.
- Consists of three parts: Memory Unit, Control Unit And Arithmetic Logic Unit (ALU)





Memory unit: Place where data and instructions are stored during processing period. Popular memory are RAM and ROM.

Control unit: It controls the entire system of computer.

- ✓It makes proper sequence to direct the input data and instructions to memory to ALU.
- ✓ It also controls signals to various parts of computer.
- ✓It also transfer result from ALU to memory and then to output devices.





Arithmetic Logic Unit:

- Comprises number of register on its constructions.
- ✓ All data from memory gets loaded in ALU.
- ✓ It performs various arithmetic and logical operations of the programs.





3. OUTPUT UNIT

- Computer provides information and results of computation to the outside world through output unit.
- The output unit consists of one or more output devices.
- Some output devices are:
 - Monitor
 - Printer
 - Speaker







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