

Aa Bb Cc  
 Dd Ee Ff  
 Gg Hh Ii  
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 as the default typeface.  
 This increases the  
 readability of source  
 code, which is often  
 heavily reliant on  
 distinctions involving  
 individual symbols, and  
 makes differences  
 between letters more  
 unambiguous in

situations like password  
 entry boxes where typing  
 mistakes are  
 unacceptable. Monospaced  
 fonts are also used in  
 terminal emulation and  
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 documents. In technical  
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 font is often used to  
 distinguish code from  
 natural-language text.  
 It is also used in  
 disassemblers when it  
 outputs the information  
 when an instruction have  
 been executed sorted in  
 columns so that they  
 line up vertically.