# Data architecture

## Definition

Data architecture is the blueprint that defines how data is managed (stored, organized, integrated, and accessed) within an organization.

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Data architecture is identifying the data needs of the enterprise (regardless of structure), and designing and maintaining the master <u>blueprints</u> to meet those needs.

#### Note

Other definitions of data architecture:

- The blueprint for managing data assets by aligning with organizational strategy.
- The description of the structure of an organization's logical and physical data assets and data management resources.
- A framework for managing data.

#### Purpose

The purpose of data architecture is to establish strategic data requirements and designs to meet those requirements.

#### Relation

Data architecture	is child of	blueprint
Data architecture	is an element of a	data value management system
Data architecture	is an element of a	data quality management system

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