

Metadata

Definition

Metadata is data that defines and describes the [characteristics](#) of other [data](#). (DAMA Dictionary)

DMBoK2

Metadata is about having Information about data. Metadata describes and defines data and is a tool for understanding data.

Relations

Metadata	is child of	data
Metadata	is child of	data category
Metadata	is parent of	defining metadata
Metadata	is parent of	operational metadata
Metadata	is parent of	data lineage
Metadata	is parent of	data quality rules
Metadata	is parent of	data dictionary
Metadata	is parent of	data element specification
Metadata	is parent of	data model
Metadata	is parent of	format
Metadata	is parent of	unit
Metadata	is an element of a	data quality management system

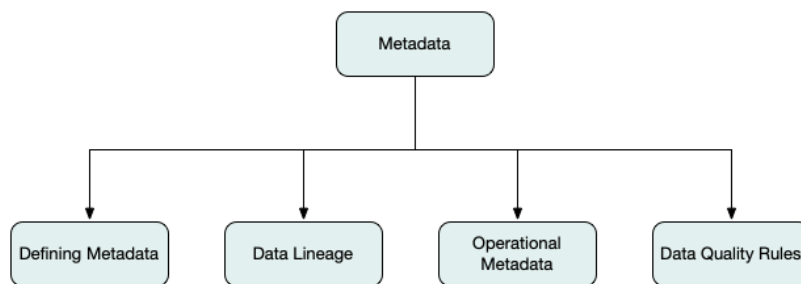


Figure 1 Childs of metadata

Metadata	is parent of	critical data element
Metadata	is parent of	business glossary
Metadata	is parent of	data model
Metadata	is parent of	data element specification

Lifecycle

- Define metadata
- Describe metadata
- Implement metadata

- Use metadata
- Evaluate metadata
- Change metadata
- Store metadata
- Maintain metadata
- Publish metadata

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