

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 [blueprints](#) 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

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| Data architecture | is subtype of | blueprint |
| Data architecture | is an element of a | data quality management system |
| Data architecture | is an element of a | data management system |

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