

What is Different Data?

➤ Data

- **Quantitative data.**

- It can be measured or given numerical values.

- like dates, times, weights, heights

- **Qualitative data**

- It refers to things that can be observed but not definitively measured

- Like blood types, brands of car, product reviews, names, and eye colors (While qualitative data may contain numerical values, these are usually descriptors).

- **structured data**

- typically categorized as quantitative data.

- is highly organized and easily decipherable by machine learning algorithms.

- **Structured data tools:**

- MySQL

- SQLite

- PostgreSQL

- **Unstructured data**

- typically categorized as qualitative data.

- cannot be processed and analyzed via conventional data tools and methods.

- unstructured data does not have a predefined data model, it is best managed in non-relational (NoSQL) databases.

- Another way to manage unstructured data is to use data lakes to preserve it in raw form.

- The importance of unstructured data is rapidly increasing.

- unstructured data is over 80% of all enterprise data.

- **Unstructured data tools:**

- MongoDB
- Hadoop
- Azure

- **semi-structured data**

- Semi-structured data (e.g., JSON, CSV, XML) is the “bridge” between structured and unstructured data.
- It does not have a predefined data model and is more complex than structured data, yet easier to store than unstructured data.
- Semi-structured data uses “metadata” to identify specific data characteristics.

