# **Data Structures**

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Structured, Semi-Structured, and Unstructured data are terms used to describe different types of information based on their organization and format.

#### **Structured Data:**

Structured data is like information clearly arranged in rows and columns, just like a spreadsheet. It's highly organized and follows a fixed format. Examples of structured data include databases, spreadsheets, and tables.

Customer					
CustomerId	Name	EmailAddress	Gender	EmailVerified	
1	Jack Frost	jfrost@winter.com	Male	1	
2	Miss Piggy	queen@muppets.com	Female	1	
3	Dr. Octopus	doc@octopus.net	Male	0	

Invoice					
InvoiceId	CustomerId	Amount	DateCreated		
1	1	80	2010-12-11 04:19:12		
2	2	24.95	2011-01-05 16:35:56		
3	1	25	2011-01-07 20:05:33		
4	1	45	2011-02-20 08:09:42		

### **Semi-Structured Data:**

Semi-structured data is a bit like a mix between structured and unstructured data. It doesn't fit neatly into rows and columns, but it has some level of structure. Think of it as a collection of documents where each document might have a title, author, and date, but the content itself might not follow a strict structure. Examples of semi-structured data include XML files and JSON files.

Data Structures 1

```
1 {
2
       "EMPLOYEES": {
3
          "SALES": {
              "648229": {
4
5
                "NAME" : "Olivia Johnson"
                "DOB" : "1989-08-08"
6
7
8
               "648666": {
                "NAME" : "Frank Mueller"
9
                "DOB" : "1985-05-11"
10
11
                "MISC" : "On paternal leave from 2019-01-01 until 2020-01-01"
12
13
           }
14
       }
15 }
```

**JSON** 

## **Unstructured Data:**

Unstructured data is like a bunch of information without a specific order. It's more like the freeform text you find in a book or a social media post.

## **Examples:**

- Images
- Videos
- Speeches

Data Structures 2