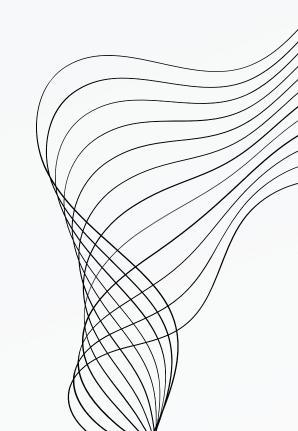


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RELATION SCHEMA

The relation schema refers to the **overall blueprint** or **structure** of a DBMS or relation (table). It defines the attributes, data types, and other specifics without reffering to acutal data.

The example (right) is the schema for a relation titled Department, that contains the following attributes: dept_name, building, and budget.

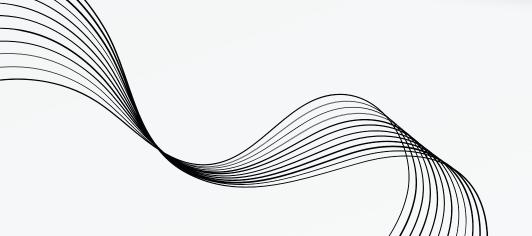
department (dept_name, building, budget)

RELATION

A relation is a **table** that contains **tuples** (rows) that contain data that falls under the **attributes** defined in the relation schema.

The schema from the previous page is utilized in the relation (right). It contains 7 tuples with data that corresponds to the attributes dept_name, building, and budget.

dept_name	building	budget
Biology	Watson	90000
Comp. Sci.	Taylor	100000
Elec. Eng.	Taylor	85000
Finance	Painter	120000
History	Painter	50000
Music	Packard	80000
Physics	Watson	70000



INSTANCE

An instance refers to a **specific moment** of data collection in a database. With each addition, update, or deletion of tuples comes a new instance.

For example, if I wanted to add data about the **Art Department**, which would be located in the Packard building and had a budget of 65000, the relation would like the this (right). This is a different instance than the previous slide.

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Biology	Watson	90000
Comp. Sci.	Taylor	100000
Elec. Eng.	Taylor	85000
Finance	Painter	120000
History	Painter	50000
Music	Packard	80000
Physics	Watson	70000
Art	Packard	65000

SCHEMA DIAGRAM

