

database objects

User schema

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Schema

- Pronounce *skee-ma*, the structure of a database system, described in a formal language supported by the database management system (DBMS).
- In a relational database, the schema defines the tables, the fields in each table, and the relationships between fields and tables.
- Schemas are generally stored in a data dictionary.

Schema = metadata

- **Metadata (meta data, or sometimes metainformation)** is "data about data", of any sort in any media.