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**Scribed Notes - Lecture 11**

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**Relations :**

- A relation defines the relationship between sets of values of ordered pairs.
- Relation is a subset of cartesian products. Cartesian products have N elements.
- No. of subset :  $2^n$

**Types of relations on a set.**

- 1) Reflexive
- 2) IR Reflexive
- 3) Symmetric
- 4) Anti Symmetric
- 5) Transitive
- 6) Equivalence
- 7) Partial Order
- 8) Total Order(Special case of partial order)

**1)Reflexive :**

A reflexive relation is the one in which every element maps to itself. For example, consider a set  $A = \{1, 2\}$ . Now, the reflexive relation will be  $R = \{(1, 1), (2, 2)\}$ . Hence, a relation is reflexive .

**Example:**

$$(a, a) \in R \quad \forall a \in A$$

No. of Reflexive Relation :  $2^{n^2-n}$

## **2)IRReflexive :**

If any element is not related to itself, then it is an irreflexive relation.

Not any of the Identical elements should be present.

For example, consider a set A = {1, 2,}. Now, the reflexive relation will be R= { (1, 2), (2, 1)}

$$(a, a) \notin R \quad \forall a \in A$$

No. of IRReflexive Relation :  $2^{n^2-n}$

## **Other(Neither Reflexive nor Irreflexive) :**

If Any of the Identical elements is present but not all identical elements are present then it is neither reflexive nor irreflexive.

For example, consider a set A = {1, 2,}. Now, the reflexive relation will be R= { (1,1),(1, 2), (2, 1)}

No. of IRReflexive Relation :  $(2^{n^2-n}) * (2^n - 2)$

## **Symmetric :**

In a symmetric relation, if a=b is true then b=a is also true. In other words, a relation R is symmetric only if (b, a) ∈ R is true when (a,b) ∈ R.

An example of symmetric relation will be R = {(1, 2), (2, 1)} for a set A = {1, 2}. So, for a symmetric relation,  
aRb ⇒ bRa,  $\forall a, b \in A$

No. of Symmetric Relation:  $2^{nC2+n} = 2^{(n^2+n)/2}$