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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 $R = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (1, 2), (2, 1)\}$. 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 $(b, a) \in R$ is true when $(a,b) \in R$.

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

$$aRb \Rightarrow bRa, \quad \forall a, b \in A$$

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