

Relations

Let A and B be two non-empty sets, then relation R is a subset of $A \times B$

i.e., $\boxed{R} \subseteq A \times B$

eg $A = \{1, 2\}$, $B = \{a, b\}$

$A \times B = \{ \underline{(1, a)}, \underline{(1, b)}, \underline{(2, a)}, \underline{(2, b)} \}$

$\underline{R_1} = \{ \underline{(1, a)}, \underline{(2, a)} \}$ $\underline{R_1} \subseteq A \times B$

$\underline{R_2} = \{ \underline{(1, a)}, \underline{(1, b)} \}$ $\underline{R_2} \subseteq A \times B$

$\underline{R_3} = \{ \underline{(1, a)} \}$ $\underline{R_3} \subseteq A \times B$

Total no. of relations from a set A to a set B.

$A = \{1, 2, 3\}$, $B = \{a, b\}$

$R = \{ \underline{x} \text{ --- } \}$

$A \times B = \{ \underline{(1, a)}, \underline{(1, b)}, \underline{(2, a)}, \underline{(2, b)}, \underline{(3, a)}, \underline{(3, b)} \}$

Total no of Relations = $2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2$

$= 2^6$

$= 2^{3 \times 2}$

$= \frac{n(A) \times n(B)}{2} = \frac{n(A \times B)}{2}$

General formula:

Suppose Set A has m elements and Set B has n elements.

Then no of elements in $A \times B = m \times n$.

no. of Relations = $2^{m \times n} = 2^{mn}$

no. of Relations from a set A to set A itself = $2^{m \times m} = 2^{m^2}$

$R = \{ \underline{(x, y)} : \underline{x} \in A, \underline{y} \in B \}$

Domain of Relation:

$$R = \{ (\underline{x}, \underline{y}) : x \in A, y \in B \}$$

The Collection of all the first elements of the coordinate pair of the relation is called the domain of the Relation.

$$A = \{ 1, 2, 3 \}$$

$$R = \{ \cancel{(1,1)}, \cancel{(1,2)}, \cancel{(1,3)}, \cancel{(2,1)} \}$$

$$D_R = \{ 1, 2 \}$$

Range of Relation:

The Collection of all the second elements of the coordinate pair of the Relation is called the Range of the relation.

$$R_R = \{ 1, 2, 3 \}$$

Types of Relations:

(i) Reflexive relation:- Let A be a non-empty set. Define a Relation R on A , then R is called reflexive relation if.

$$\underline{(a, a) \in R \quad \forall \underline{a \in A}}$$

e.g: $A = \{ \underline{1}, \underline{2}, \underline{3} \}$

$$R = \{ (1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 2), (3, 3) \}$$

As $1 \in A$ but $(1, 1) \notin R$.

This relation is not reflexive relation.

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eg2 $A = \{ \underline{1}, \underline{2}, \underline{3} \}$

$$R = \{ (\underline{1}, \underline{1}), (\underline{2}, \underline{2}), (\underline{3}, \underline{3}), \cancel{(1, 2)}, \cancel{(1, 3)} \}$$

$$\text{As } \underline{\forall a \in A} \quad (a, a) \in R$$

This Relation is reflexive

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Counting of no. of Reflexive relations:

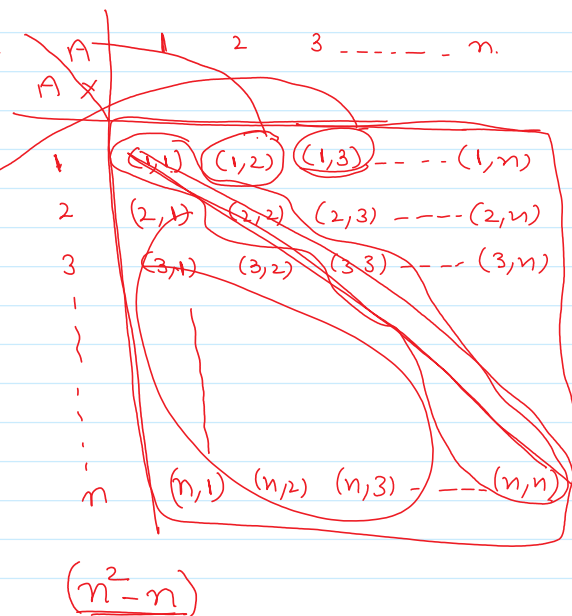
$$A \quad 1 \quad 2 \quad 3 \quad \dots \quad n$$

Counting of no. of reflexive relations:

Consider a set A having n elements.

$$A = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$$

$$R = \{ (1,1), (2,2), (3,3), \dots, (n,n) \}$$



Total no of Reflexive Relations = $2 \times 2 \times \dots \times 2$
($n-1$ times)

$$= \frac{n^2 - n}{2}$$

eg: If a set A has 3 elements, then how many reflexive relations are there?

Soln Total no. of reflexive relations = $2^{n^2 - n}$

$$= 2^{3^2 - 3}$$
$$= 2^{\frac{9-3}{2}} = 2^{\frac{6}{2}} = 64$$

Symmetric relation: Let A be a non-empty set,

Define a relation R on A , then this relation is called

Symmetric relation if $(a,b) \in R$ then $(b,a) \in R$

$$A = \{1, 2, 3\}$$

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$$A = \{1, \underline{2}, 3\}$$

$$R = \{(1,1), (\underline{1,2}), (1,3), (3,1)\}$$

$(2,2) \notin R$ R is not reflexive.

also $(1,2) \in R$ but $(2,1) \notin R$

This relation is not symmetric

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$$A = \{1, 2, 3\}$$

$$R = \{(\underline{1,1}), (2,2), (3,3)\}$$

This relation is reflexive and symmetric

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Counting of no. of Symmetric Relations.

$$A = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1, n\}$$

Counting of Symmetric Relations.

$$= \{ \underline{2} \} \times \{ \underline{2 \times 2} \} \times \{ \underline{2 \times 2 \times 2} \}$$

$$\times \dots \times \{ \underline{2 \times 2 \times \dots \times 2} \}$$

$$= 2^1 \times 2^2 \times 2^3 \times \dots \times 2^n$$

$$= 2^{1+2+3+\dots+n} = 2^{\sum n} = 2^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}$$

| A \ A | 1 | 2 | 3 | ... | n-2 | n-1 | n |
|-------|---------|---------|---------|-----|-----------|-----------|---------|
| 1 | (1,1) | (1,2) | (1,3) | ... | (1,n-2) | (1,n-1) | (1,n) |
| 2 | (2,1) | (2,2) | (2,3) | ... | (2,n-2) | (2,n-1) | (2,n) |
| 3 | (3,1) | (3,2) | (3,3) | ... | (3,n-2) | (3,n-1) | (3,n) |
| ... | | | | | | | |
| n-2 | (n-2,1) | (n-2,2) | (n-2,3) | ... | (n-2,n-2) | (n-2,n-1) | (n-2,n) |
| n-1 | (n-1,1) | (n-1,2) | (n-1,3) | ... | (n-1,n-2) | (n-1,n-1) | (n-1,n) |
| n | (n,1) | (n,2) | (n,3) | ... | (n,n-2) | (n,n-1) | (n,n) |

Q1 If A set A has 3 elements, then ^{find} no. of symmetric relations

$$= 2^{\frac{3(3+1)}{2}}$$

Q1 If A set A has 3 elements, then no of symmetric relations

Solⁿ, no of symmetric relations = $2^{n(n+1)/2}$

$$= 2^{\frac{3 \times \frac{4}{2}}{2}} = 2^{\frac{6}{2}} = 2^3 = 8$$

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