

Formulae

FRL General

- Number of choices -
 - $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$
 - Let's form a sub-set of A with no constraints. Here, for each of the 5 elements, we may or may not include them in the subset. So, we have 2 choices per element. Total number of choices:

2^5 for 5 elements
 2^n for n elements
 - If we had 3 choices per element, Total number of choices would be:

3^5 for 5 elements
 3^n for n elements

FRL Reflexive Relations

- Total number of relations: n^2
- Total number of Diagonal elements: n
- Total number of Non-Diagonal elements: Total number of elements in $A \times A$ - Total number of diagonal elements = $n^2 - n$
- Total number of reflexive relations: $2^{Non-Diagonal} = 2^{n^2-n}$
- Total number of non-reflexive relations: $2^{n^2} - 2^{n^2-n}$
- Smallest possible size: n
- Largest possible size: n^2

FRL Irreflexive Relations

- Total number of Non-Diagonal elements: Total number of elements in $A \times A$ - Total

number of diagonal elements = $n^2 - n$

- All non-reflexive relations are not irreflexive relations.
- Total number of irreflexive relations: 2^{n^2-n}
- Smallest possible size: 0 ($\{\}$)
- Largest possible size: $n^2 - n$

FRL Comparison of relations

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

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

Parameter	Reflexive	Irreflexive	Symmetric	Anti-symmetric	Asymmetrical
Cardinality of smallest relation	n	\emptyset	\emptyset	\emptyset	\emptyset
Cardinality of largest relation	n^2	$n^2 - n$	n^2	$(n^2 + n)/2$	$(n^2 - n)/2$
Number of relations	2^{n^2-n}	2^{n^2-n}	$2^n \cdot 2^{(n^2-n)/2}$	$2^n \cdot 3^{(n^2-n)/2}$	$3^{(n^2-n)/2}$

Set Theory

Set

A well-defined unordered collection of distinct elements.

- Unordered: Set $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ is same as $\{2, 3, 4, 1\}$.
- Distinct: Set $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ is same as $\{1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 4\}$.

Null/Empty set

A set with no elements, denoted by Φ or $\{\}$.

- Cardinality of an empty set is 0.
- $\{\Phi\}$ is not an empty set.
- Φ is present in every set.

Subset

If every element of Set A also exists in Set B, denoted by \subseteq .

- **Example:** If $A = \{1,2,3,4\}$, $A' = \{1,2,3,4,5\}$, then $A \subseteq A'$.
- Every set is a subset of itself.
- Trivial subset: A set which contains all elements of A, is if $A = \{1,2,3,4\}$ and $A' = \{1,2,3,4\}$.
- Proper subset: A set which is not a trivial subset of A, ie the subset can't be same / can't have the same length as A.
- If $A \subseteq B$ & $B \subseteq A$, then $A=B$. #Note

Cardinality

Number of elements in a set.

Power Set

If 'A' is a finite set, then it is the set of all subsets of 'A'.

- **Example:** If $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$, $P(A) = \{\{\Phi\}, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{1, 2\}, \{2, 3\}, \{1, 3\}, \{1, 2, 3\}\}$.

- If cardinality of a set is n , the number of elements in the power set is $2^n = 8$, ie $|P(a)| = |2^n|$
- Write all the sets starting with cardinality 0, then 1, then 2 ... and so on.

Cartesian product

Product of all elements of 1 set, with all elements of the other set.

- **Example:** If $A=\{a,b\}$ and $B=\{1,2,3\}$, then:
 - $A \times B = \{(a, 1), (a, 2), (a, 3), (b, 1), (b, 2), (b, 3)\}$ | If an element is (m,n) , then $m \in A$ & $n \in B$.
 - $B \times A = \{(1, a), (1, b), (2, a), (2, b), (3, a), (3, b)\}$
- Total number of products, assuming $\text{Cardinality}(A)=m$ & $\text{Cardinality}(B)=n$, is $m \times n$.
- First multiply element 1 of A with element 1 of B, then element 1 of A with element 2 of B ... and so on.
- The order needs to be maintained, as is apparent in the example.
- $A \times B$ is not same as $B \times A$, unless $A=B$.

Relations, also check **Cartesian Product**

If A and B are two sets and $A \times B$ is their cartesian product, then any subset of $A \times B$ can form a relation from A to B.

- **Example:**
 - $\{(a, 1), (a, 2)\}$ | Valid
 - $\{(b, 1), (b, 2), (a, 1)\}$ | Valid
 - $\{(1, a), (2, a)\}$ | Not Valid
- Total number of relations: $2^{m \times n}$.

Reflexive Relation

- **Formulae**
- A Relation 'R' on a set 'A' is said to be Reflexive if $(x, x) \in R \forall x \in A$
- Every element of a set is related to itself.
- Points to remember:
 - i. All elements must be present.
 - ii. All of them must be related to themselves.
 - iii. After putting in all valid elements, we can put extra elements.
 - iv. The difference between a diagonal relation is that a reflexive relation may also contain extra elements.
- Example 0: $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$
 - $A \times A = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 1), (2, 2), (2, 3), (3, 1), (3, 2), (3, 3)\}$
 - Possible Reflexive relations:
 - $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3)\}$: *Smallest*
 - $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (2, 1)\}$: *We may also put extra elements as long as the original condition has been satisfied.*
 - $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (2, 1), (2, 3)\}$
 - $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (2, 1), (2, 3), (3, 1)\}$
 - $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (2, 1), (2, 3), (3, 1), (3, 2)\}$
 - $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (2, 1), (2, 3), (3, 1), (3, 2), (3, 3)\}$: *Largest*
- Example 1: Check for reflexive relation: $\{(x, y), x - y \text{ is an integer}\}$
 - $(2, 3)$ cannot be in an answer, since it doesn't satisfy point 2.
 - $(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3)$, etc. will satisfy the equation, as $1 - 1 = 0$, which is an integer. So **it is a reflexive relation**.
- Example 2: Check for reflexive relation: $\{(x, y), x - y \text{ is an odd number}\}$
 - $(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3)$, etc. will not satisfy the equation, as $1 - 1 = 0$, which is not an odd number. So **it is not a reflexive relation**.

Irreflexive Relation

- **Formulae**
- A Relation 'R' on a set 'A' is said to be Irreflexive if $(x, y) \notin R \forall (x, y) \in A$
- No element of the set should be related to itself.
- Points to remember:
 - i. We exclude all diagonal elements, and include the non-diagonal elements.
 - ii. **A not reflexive relation is not the same as an Irreflexive relation.** Example:

- $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$, $R = \{(1, 1), (2, 2)\}$
- Here, R is not a reflexive relation since it does not include (3,3). But, R is not an irreflexive relation either, because it includes (1,1) & (2,2). So, it is just not a reflexive relation.
- Example 0: $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$
 - $A \times A = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 1), (2, 2), (2, 3), (3, 1), (3, 2), (3, 3)\}$
 - $R = \{(1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 1), (2, 3), (3, 1), (3, 2)\}$

Symmetric Relation

- A Relation 'R' is symmetric, if for every $(x, y) \in R$, $(y, x) \in R \forall (x, y) \in A$.
- If (x, y) is present in a Relation 'R' on a set 'A', then (y, x) must also be present in the set.
- We first check if (x, y) is present. We check for (y, x) only if (x, y) is present. It is not necessary for all possible relations to be present.
- Example 0: $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$
 - $A \times A = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 1), (2, 2), (2, 3), (3, 1), (3, 2), (3, 3)\}$
 - $\{(1, 2), (2, 1), (1, 3), (3, 1), (1, 1)\}$: for (1, 1), it's Symmetric pair will also be (1, 1), which is a duplicate.
 - $\{(1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 1)\}$: This is NOT a symmetric relation, because (3, 1) is not present for (1, 3).
- Example 1: Check: 'perpendicular-to' on a set of all lines.

Solution: If a line $L1 \perp L2$, then obviously $L2 \perp L1$. So, **this is a symmetric relation.**
- Example 2: Check: 'brother of' of all humans on Earth.

Solution: If X is a brother of Y, Y may be a sister of X. So, **it's not symmetric.**
- Example 3: Check: 'complement of', on a set of numbers.

Solution: If x is a complement of y , then y is also a complement of x . So, **the relation is symmetric.**

Anti-symmetric Relation

- A Relation 'R' is anti-symmetric, if for every $(x, y) \in R$, $(y, x) \in R \forall (x, y) \in A$, *only if* $(x = y)$.

- If (x, y) is present in a Relation 'R' on a set 'A', then (y, x) should only also be present in the relations if $x = y$. Otherwise, it must not be present.
- We first check if (x, y) is present. We check for (y, x) only if (x, y) is present. It is not necessary for all possible relations to be present.
- Example 0: $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$
 - $A \times A = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 1), (2, 2), (2, 3), (3, 1), (3, 2), (3, 3)\}$
 - $\{(2, 1), (3, 1), (1, 1)\}$: TRUE, for $(2, 1)$, $(1, 2)$ must not be present since $(2 \neq 1)$. For $(1, 1)$, it's Symmetric pair is $(1, 1)$, which is fine since $(1 = 1)$.
 - $\{(1, 2), (2, 1), (1, 3), (1, 1)\}$: FALSE, because $(2, 1)$ is present.

Asymmetric Relation

- A Relation 'R' is asymmetric, if for every $(x, y) \in R$, $(y, x) \notin R \forall (x, y) \in A$.
- If (x, y) is present in a Relation 'R' on a set 'A', then (y, x) should only also be present in the relations if $x = y$. Otherwise, it must not be present.
- We first check if (x, y) is present. We check for (y, x) only if (x, y) is present. It is not necessary for all possible relations to be present.
- Example 0: $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$
 - $A \times A = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 1), (2, 2), (2, 3), (3, 1), (3, 2), (3, 3)\}$
 - $\{(2, 1), (3, 1), (2, 3)\}$: TRUE, for all (x, y) , (y, x) is not present in the relation.
 - $\{(2, 2), (3, 1), (2, 3), (1, 1)\}$: FALSE, because $(1, 1)$ is present, and it's duplicate ie $(1, 1)$ should not be present.
- Every Asymmetric relation is anti-symmetric. An Asymmetric relation is more restrictive than an anti-symmetric relation, since an asymmetric relation does not allow (y, x) (for every (x, y)) to be present even if $(x = y)$.
- Every Anti-symmetric relations is not asymmetric. An anti-symmetric relation allows (y, x) to be present if $(x = y)$.

Transitive Relation

- A Relation 'R' is Transitive, if for every $(x, y) \in R$ & $(y, z) \in R$, $(x, z) \in R \forall (x, y) \in A$.
- If (x, y) & (y, z) is present in a Relation 'R' on a set 'A', then (x, z) should also be present in the relation.

- If any of x, y or z is not present in the relation, then the relation is transitive by default.
- Example 0: $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$
 - $\{(1, 1), (2, 2)\}$: TRUE, x, y & z are not present together.
 - $\{\emptyset\}$: TRUE, none of the elements are present.
 - $\{(1, 2), (2, 3)\}$: FALSE, since (x, z) ie $(1, 3)$ is not present.
 - $x = 1, y = 2, z = 3$
 - $\{(1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 1)\}$: TRUE, since in both cases the conditions are matching.
 - $x = 1, y = 1, z = 2$ $z = 1, y = 2, z = 1$

Equivalence Relation

- A Relation 'R' is equivalence, if it is reflexive, symmetric or transitive.
- Example 0: $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$
 - $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3)\}$: TRUE
 - $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (2, 1), (1, 2)\}$: TRUE
 - $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (3, 2), (1, 3)\}$: FALSE, because $(2, 3)$ is not present for $(3, 2)$, so it's not symmetric.
 - $\{\}$: FALSE, since $(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3)$ is not present, so it is not a reflexive relation.

Partially Ordered Set

- A Relation 'R' is said to be a partial-ordering relation if R is reflexive, anti-symmetric as well as transitive.
- Partially ordered set: A set 'A' with Partial-Ordering relation 'R' defined on 'A' is called POSET, defined by $[A; R]$
- Example 0: $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$
 - $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3)\}$: TRUE
 - $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (1, 2), (2, 3), (1, 3)\}$: TRUE
 - $[A, \leq]$ is a POSET: TRUE,
 - $(1 \leq 1)$ is true, so relation is reflexive.
 - $(1 \leq 1)$ is true, and for $(1.5 \leq 2.5)$, $(2.5 \leq 1, 5)$ is not true. So, relation

is anti-symmetric.

$(1 \leq 2.5)$, $(2.5 \leq 3)$, then $(1 \leq 3)$ is also true. So, the relation is transitive.

Totally Ordered Set

- A POSET $\{A, R\}$ is called a totally ordered set if every pair of elements in set A are comparable, ie, if:

$$aRb \text{ or } bRa \quad \forall (a, b) \in A$$

- The set has to mandatorily be a [Partially Ordered Set](#). In other words, every TOS is a POSET.
- Example 0: $(A, \div) \in R \quad \forall (A \in I)$, $I = \text{Integers}$: FALSE.

$$A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, \dots, \infty\}$$

$$\text{Reflexive: } (1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3) \in R$$

$$\text{Anti-symmetric: } (4, 2) \in R \text{ but } (2, 4) \notin R$$

$$\text{Transitive: If } (8, 4) \in R \text{ \& } (4, 2) \in R, \text{ then } (8, 2) \in R.$$

TOS: $(2, 3)$, $(4, 8)$, etc. are not comparable when the domain consists only of positive integers.

- Example 1: $(A, \leq) \in R \quad \forall (A \in R)$, $I = \text{Real numbers}$: TRUE.
- Example 2: $(A, \in) \in R \quad \forall A \in \{\emptyset\}, \{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$: FALSE.

$\{a\}$ is not comparable with $\{b\}$.

Comparison of all relations

See [comparison of relations](#) in section `formulae`.

- Explanation:

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

$$A \times A = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (1, 2), (2, 1), (1, 3), (3, 1), (2, 3), (3, 2)\}$$

- Reflexive:

- Smallest: $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3)\}$ | Cardinality: n

- Largest:

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

$$\text{Cardinality: } n^2$$

- Number of relations: For $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3)\}$ ie n elements, we don't have a choice. For the rest $\{(1, 2), (2, 1), (1, 3), (3, 1), (2, 3), (3, 2)\}$ ie $(n^2 - n)$ elements, we have 2 choices per pair. So, the total number of choices: $2^{n^2} - 2^n = 2^{n^2-n}$
- Irreflexive:
 - Smallest: $\{\}$ | Cardinality: \emptyset
 - Largest: $\{(1, 2), (2, 1), (1, 3), (3, 1), (2, 3), (3, 2)\}$ | Cardinality: $n^2 - n$
 - Number of relations: 2^{n^2-n}
- Symmetric:
 - Smallest: $\{\}$ | Cardinality: \emptyset
 - Largest: $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (1, 2), (2, 1), (1, 3), (3, 1), (2, 3), (3, 2)\}$ | Cardinality: n^2
 - Number of relations: For $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3)\}$ ie n elements, we have 2 choices per pair. For the rest $\{(1, 2), (2, 1), (1, 3), (3, 1), (2, 3), (3, 2)\}$ ie $(n^2 - n)$ elements, if (1,2) is present, (2,1) also needs to be present. So, we have 2 choices per respective double-pair. Total number of choices: $2^n \cdot 2^{(n^2-n)/2}$
- Anti-symmetric:
 - Smallest: $\{\}$ | Cardinality: \emptyset
 - Largest: $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 3)\}$ OR $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (2, 1), (3, 1), (3, 2)\}$ | Cardinality: $n + [(n^2 - n)/2] = (2n + n^2 - n)/2 = (n^2 + n)/2$
 - Number of relations: For $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3)\}$ ie n elements, we have 2 choices per pair. For the rest $\{(1, 2), (2, 1), (1, 3), (3, 1), (2, 3), (3, 2)\}$ ie $(n^2 - n)$ elements, if (1,2) is present, (2,1) must not be present and vice versa. So, we can either take (1,2) or (2,1) exclusively, or we can exclude both. We have 3 choices per double-pair. Total number of choices: $2^n \cdot 3^{(n^2-n)/2}$
- Asymmetric:
 - Smallest: $\{\}$ | Cardinality: \emptyset
 - Largest: $\{(1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 3)\}$ OR $\{(2, 1), (3, 1), (3, 2)\}$ | Cardinality: $(n^2 - n)/2$

- Number of relations: For $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3)\}$ ie n elements, we cannot take them. For the rest $\{(1, 2), (2, 1), (1, 3), (3, 1), (2, 3), (3, 2)\}$ ie $(n^2 - n)$ elements, if (1,2) is present, (2,1) must not be present and vice versa. So, we can either take (1,2) or (2,1) exclusively, or we can exclude both. We have 3 choices per double-pair. Total number of choices: $3^{(n^2-n)/2}$
- Transitive:
 - Smallest: $\{\}$ | Cardinality: \emptyset
 - Largest: $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (1, 2), (2, 1), (1, 3), (3, 1), (2, 3), (3, 2)\}$ | Cardinality: n^2