

Combinations with repetitions:

The number of ways to distribute objects of n different types over r different containers equals:

$$C(n + r - 1, r)$$

(assuming there are enough objects of each type)

Examples:

The number of ways to choose three integers i, j, k , where $0 \leq i \leq j \leq k \leq 100$

The number of times the print statement is executed in the program:

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for  $i := 1$  to 20 do  
  for  $j := i$  to 20 do  
    for  $k := j$  to 20 do  
      print ( $i * j + k$ )
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Self-test

1. How many ways to give 10 different books to Mary, William and Charles so that Mary receives 3 books, William 5, and Charles 2?
2. How many ways to distribute 10 identical pens to William, Mary and Charles?
3. How many ways to distribute 3 types of pens over 10 different people?
4. How many ternary strings of length 10 are there with three zeros and five ones?
5. When six dice are cast, how many different outcomes are there? Are they all equally probable?

Lexicographic order

A string $x_1x_2\ldots x_n$ is lexicographically less than $y_1y_2\ldots y_n$ if for some i , $1 \leq i \leq n$

- $x_j = y_j$ for all j so that $1 \leq j < i$, and
- $x_i < y_i$

For example, 21345 is lexicographically less than 21534, and 12345 is lexicographically less than all other permutations of 1,2,3,4,5.

Generating permutations

Input: n .

Output: all permutations of $1, 2, \dots, n$, listed in lexicographic order.

1. Start with the permutation

$$s_1 = 1, s_2 = 2, \dots, s_n = n.$$

2. Find the rightmost element s_i so that

$$s_{i-1} < s_i.$$

3. Find the smallest element s_j so that

$$s_j > s_i \text{ and } j > i.$$

4. Swap s_i and s_j .

5. Rearrange the elements $s_{i+1} \dots s_n$ in increasing order.

6. Repeat steps 2–5 until no element s_i can be found in step 2 (so all s_i 's are in decreasing order).