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combn	<i>Generate all combinations of the elements of x taken m at a time.</i>
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Description

Generate all combinations of the elements of x taken m at a time. If x is a positive integer, returns all combinations of the elements of $\text{seq}(x)$ taken m at a time. If argument "fun" is not null, applies a function given by the argument to each point. If `simplify` is `FALSE`, returns a list; else returns a vector or an array. "..." are passed unchanged to function given by argument fun, if any.

`combn2`: Generate all combinations of the elements of x taken two at a time. If x is missing, generate all combinations of $1:n$ taken two at a time (that is, the indices of x that would give all combinations of the elements of x if x with length n had been given). Exactly one of arguments "x" and "n" should be given; no provisions for function evaluation.

`nCm`: Compute the binomial coefficient (" n choose m "), where n is any real number and m is any integer. Arguments n and m may be vectors; they will be replicated as necessary to have the same length. Argument `tol` controls rounding of results to integers. If the difference between a value and its nearest integer is less than `tol`, the value returned will be rounded to its nearest integer. To turn off rounding, use `tol = 0`. Values of `tol` greater than the default should be used only with great caution, unless you are certain only integer values should be returned.

Usage

```
combn(x, m, fun=NULL, simplify=TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	vector source for combinations
<code>m</code>	number of elements
<code>fun</code>	function to be applied to each combination (may be null)
<code>simplify</code>	logical, if <code>FALSE</code> , returns a list, otherwise returns vector or array
<code>...</code>	args to fun

Details

Nijenhuis, A. and Wilf, H.S. (1978) *Combinatorial Algorithms for Computers and Calculators*. NY: Academic Press.

Value

see `simplify` argument

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References

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Examples

```

combn(letters[1:4], 2)
combn(10, 5, min) # minimum value in each combination
# Different way of encoding points:
combn(c(1,1,1,1,2,2,2,3,3,4), 3, tabulate, nbins = 4)
#Compute support points and (scaled) probabilities for a
#Multivariate-Hypergeometric(n = 3, N = c(4,3,2,1)) p.f.:
# table.mat(t(combn(c(1,1,1,1,2,2,2,3,3,4), 3, tabulate,nbins=4)))

```

dmnom

*density of multinomial, and support functions***Description**

density of multinomial

Usage

```
dmnom(x, size=sum(x), prob=stop("no prob arg"))
```

Arguments

x	vector
size	total
prob	parameter vector (sums to 1)

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Examples

```
dmnom(c(1,1,4,4),10,c(.2,.2,.3,.3))
```

hcube

*Generate all points on a hypercuboid lattice.***Description**

Generate all points on a hypercuboid lattice.

Usage

```
hcube(x, scale, translation)
```

Arguments

x	Argument x is an integer vector giving the extent of each dimension; the number of dimensions is length(x).
scale	Argument scale is a vector of real numbers giving an amount by which to multiply the points in each dimension; it will be replicated as necessary to have the same length as x.
translation	Argument translate is a vector of real numbers giving an amount to translate (from the "origin", rep(1,length(x))) the points in each dimension; it will be replicated as necessary to have the same length as x. To use rep(0,length(x)) as the origin, use translation = -1. Scaling, if any, is done BEFORE translation.

Value

A $\text{prod}(x)$ by $\text{length}(x)$ numeric matrix; element (i,j) gives the location of point i in the jth dimension. The first column (dimension) varies most rapidly.

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References

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See Also

fac.design, expand.grid

nsimplex

Computes the number of points on a (p, n)-simplex lattice

Description

Computes the number of points on a (p, n)-simplex lattice; that is, the number of p-part compositions of n. This gives the number of points in the support space of a Multinomial(n, q) distribution, where $p == \text{length}(q)$.

Arguments p and n are replicated as necessary to have the length of the longer of them.

Usage

```
nsimplex(p, n)
```

Arguments

p	vector of integers
n	vector of integers

Value

integer

Examples

```
nsimplex(3,5)
```

permn

Generates all permutations of the elements of x

Description

Generates all permutations of the elements of x, in a minimal- change order. If x is a positive integer, returns all permutations of the elements of seq(x). If argument "fun" is not null, applies a function given by the argument to each point. "... " are passed unchanged to the function given by argument fun, if any.

Usage

```
permn(x, fun=NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

x	vector
fun	if non.null, applied at each perm
...	args passed to fun

Value

list: each component is either a permutation, or the results of applying fun to a permutation

References

Reingold, E.M., Nievergelt, J., Deo, N. (1977) Combinatorial Algorithms: Theory and Practice. NJ: Prentice-Hall. pg. 170.

See Also

sample, fact, combn, hcube, xsimplex

Examples

```
# Convert output to a matrix of dim c(6, 720)
t(array(unlist(permn(6)), dim = c(6, gamma(7))))
# A check that every element occurs the same number of times in each
# position
apply(t(array(unlist(permn(6)), dim = c(6, gamma(7))))), 2, tabulate,
      nbins = 6)

# Apply, on the fly, the diff function to every permutation
t(array(unlist(permn(6, diff)), dim = c(5, gamma(7))))
```

 rmultinomial

Generate random samples from multinomial distributions

Description

rmultinomial: Generate random samples from multinomial distributions, where both n and p may vary among distributions

rmultz2: fixed p case

Usage

```
rmultinomial(n, p, rows=max(c(length(n), nrow(p))))
rmultz2(n, p, draws=length(n))
```

Arguments

n	vector of sizes
p	vector or probs
rows	numeric giving desired number rows to be output
draws	number samples required

Value

a matrix of rows rows delivering specified samples

Author(s)

John Wallace, 17 Feb 1997 S-news , mods by Chasalow

Examples

```
n <- c(100,20,10)
p <- matrix(c(.3,.1,.5,.1,.1,.2,.6,.8,.3),3)
rmultinomial(n,p)
```

x2u	<i>Convert an x-encoded simplex-lattice point to a u-encoded simplex-lattice point</i>
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Description

Convert an x-encoded simplex-lattice point to a u-encoded simplex-lattice point (equivalently, "un-tabulate" bin counts)

Usage

```
x2u(x, labels=seq(along = x))
```

Arguments

x	x: A numeric vector. x[i] is interpreted as the count in bin i.
labels	A vector. Interpreted as the bin labels; default value is seq(along = x), which causes return of a u-encoded simplex-lattice point. Other values of labels cause return of the result of subscripting labels with the u-encoded simplex-lattice point that would have been obtained if the default value of labels were used.

Value

rep(labels, x), a vector of length sum(x). If labels = seq(along = x) (the default), value is the u-encoded translation of the simplex lattice point, x. Equivalently, value gives the bin numbers, in lexicographic order, for the objects represented by the counts in x. For other values of argument "labels", value gives the bin labels for the objects represented by the counts in x (equivalent to labels[x2u(x)]).

See Also

tabulate, rep

xsimplex	<i>Generates all points on a (p,n) simplex lattice (i.e. a p-part composition of n).</i>
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Description

Generates all points on a p,n simplex lattice (i.e. a p-part composition of n). Each point is represented as x, a p-dimensional vector of nonnegative integers that sum to n. If argument "fun" is not null, applies a function given by the argument to each point. If simplify is FALSE, returns a list; else returns a vector or an array. "..." are passed unchanged to function given by argument fun, if any.

Usage

```
xsimplex(p, n, fun=NULL, simplify=TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>p</code>	first parameter of lattice description
<code>n</code>	second parameter of lattice description
<code>fun</code>	function to be applied pointwise
<code>simplify</code>	logical: if FALSE, value is a list, otherwise a vector or array
<code>...</code>	parameters to be passed to fun

Examples

```
#Compute Multinomial(n = 4, pi = rep(1/3, 3)) p.f.:  
xsimplex(3, 4, dnmom, prob=1/3)
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