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**Description** Fast generators and iterators for permutations, combinations and partitions. The iterators allow users to generate arrangements in a memory efficient manner and the generated arrangements are in lexicographical (dictionary) order. Permutations and combinations can be drawn with/without replacement and support multisets. It has been demonstrated that 'arrangements' outperforms most of the existing packages of similar kind. Some benchmarks could be found at <https://randy3k.github.io/arrangements/articles/benchmark.html>.

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**Description**

Fast generators and iterators for permutations, combinations and partitions. The iterators allow users to generate arrangements in a memory efficient manner and the generated arrangements are in lexicographical (dictionary) order. Permutations and combinations can be drawn with/without replacement and support multisets. It has been demonstrated that 'arrangements' outperforms most of the existing packages of similar kind. Some benchmarks could be found at <<https://randy3k.github.io/arrangements/articles/benchmarks>>

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**See Also**

Useful links:

- <https://randy3k.github.io/arrangements>

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Combinations	<i>Combinations iterator</i>
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**Description**

This function returns a **Combinations** iterator for iterating combinations of k items from n items. The iterator allows users to fetch the next combination(s) via the `getNext()` method.

**Usage**

Combinations

```
icombinations(x, k = n, n = NULL, v = NULL, freq = NULL,
              replace = FALSE, skip = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

x	an integer or a vector, will be treated as n if integer; otherwise, will be treated as v
k	an integer, the number of items drawn
n	an integer, the total number of items, its actual value may be determined by other variables
v	a vector to be drawn
freq	an integer vector of item repeat frequencies
replace	an logical to draw items with replacement
skip	the number of combinations skipped

**Format**

An object of class R6ClassGenerator of length 24.

**Details**

The Combinations class can be initialized by using the convenient wrapper `icombinations` or

```
Combinations$new(n, k, v = NULL, freq = NULL, replace = FALSE)
```

```
getnext(d = 1L, layout = NULL, drop = NULL)
collect(layout = "row")
reset()
```

**d** number of fetched arrangements

**layout** if "row", "column" or "list" is specified, the returned value would be a "row-major" matrix, a "column-major" matrix or a list respectively

**drop** vectorize a matrix or unlist a list

**See Also**

[combinations](#) for generating all combinations and [ncombinations](#) to calculate number of combinations

**Examples**

```

icomb <- icombinations(5, 2)
icomb$getNext()
icomb$getNext(2)
icomb$getNext(layout = "column", drop = FALSE)
# collect remaining combinations
icomb$collect()

library(foreach)
foreach(x = icombinations(5, 2), .combine=c) %do% {
  sum(x)
}

```

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combinations

*Combinations generator*


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**Description**

This function generates all the combinations of selecting  $k$  items from  $n$  items. The results are in lexicographical order.

**Usage**

```

combinations(x = NULL, k = n, n = NULL, v = NULL, freq = NULL,
  replace = FALSE, layout = NULL, nitem = -1L, skip = NULL,
  index = NULL, nsample = NULL, drop = NULL)

```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	an integer or a vector, will be treated as $n$ if integer; otherwise, will be treated as $v$
<code>k</code>	an integer, the number of items drawn
<code>n</code>	an integer, the total number of items, its actual value may be determined by other variables
<code>v</code>	a vector to be drawn
<code>freq</code>	an integer vector of item repeat frequencies
<code>replace</code>	an logical to draw items with replacement
<code>layout</code>	if "row", "column" or "list" is specified, the returned value would be a "row-major" matrix, a "column-major" matrix or a list respectively
<code>nitem</code>	number of combinations required, usually used with <code>skip</code>
<code>skip</code>	the number of combinations skipped
<code>index</code>	a vector of indices of the desired combinations
<code>nsample</code>	sampling random combinations
<code>drop</code>	vectorize a matrix or unlist a list

**See Also**

[icombinations](#) for iterating combinations and [ncombinations](#) to calculate number of combinations

**Examples**

```
# choose 2 from 4
combinations(4, 2)
combinations(LETTERS[1:3], k = 2)

# multiset with frequencies c(2, 3)
combinations(k = 3, freq = c(2, 3))

# with replacement
combinations(4, 2, replace = TRUE)

# column major
combinations(4, 2, layout = "column")

# list output
combinations(4, 2, layout = "list")

# specific range of combinations
combinations(4, 2, nitem = 2, skip = 3)

# specific combinations
combinations(4, 2, index = c(3, 5))

# random combinations
combinations(4, 2, nsample = 3)

# zero sized combinations
dim(combinations(5, 0))
dim(combinations(5, 6))
dim(combinations(0, 0))
dim(combinations(0, 1))
```

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ncombinations	<i>Number of combinations</i>
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**Description**

Number of combinations

**Usage**

```
ncombinations(x = NULL, k = n, n = NULL, v = NULL, freq = NULL,
  replace = FALSE, bigz = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

x	an integer or a vector, will be treated as n if integer; otherwise, will be treated as v
k	an integer, the number of items drawn
n	an integer, the total number of items, its actual value may be determined by other variables
v	a vector to be drawn
freq	an integer vector of item repeat frequencies
replace	an logical to draw items with replacement
bigz	an logical to use <a href="#">gmp::bigz</a>

**See Also**

[combinations](#) for generating all combinations and [icombinations](#) for iterating combinations

**Examples**

```
ncombinations(5, 2)
ncombinations(LETTERS, k = 5)

# integer overflow
## Not run: ncombinations(40, 15)
ncombinations(40, 15, bigz = TRUE)

# number of combinations of `c("a", "b", "b")`
# they are `c("a", "b")` and `c("b", "b")`
ncombinations(k = 2, freq = c(1, 2))

# zero sized combinations
ncombinations(5, 0)
ncombinations(5, 6)
ncombinations(0, 1)
ncombinations(0, 0)
```

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npartitions

*Number of partitions*


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**Description**

Number of partitions

**Usage**

```
npartitions(n, k = NULL, bigz = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

n	an non-negative integer to be partitioned
k	number of parts
bigz	an logical to use <a href="#">gmp::bigz</a>

**See Also**

[partitions](#) for generating all partitions and [ipartitions](#) for iterating partitions

**Examples**

```
# number of partitions of 10
npartitions(10)
# number of partitions of 10 into 5 parts
npartitions(10, 5)

# integer overflow
## Not run: npartitions(160)
npartitions(160, bigz = TRUE)

# zero sized partitions
npartitions(0)
npartitions(5, 0)
npartitions(5, 6)
npartitions(0, 0)
npartitions(0, 1)
```

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npermutations	<i>Number of permutations</i>
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**Description**

Number of permutations

**Usage**

```
npermutations(x = NULL, k = n, n = NULL, v = NULL, freq = NULL,
  replace = FALSE, bigz = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

x	an integer or a vector, will be treated as n if integer; otherwise, will be treated as v
k	an integer, the number of items drawn
n	an integer, the total number of items, its actual value may be determined by other variables
v	a vector to be drawn

freq            an integer vector of item repeat frequencies  
 replace        an logical to draw items with replacement  
 bigz            an logical to use [gmp::bigz](#)

### See Also

[permutations](#) for generating all permutations and [ipermutations](#) for iterating permutations

### Examples

```
npermutations(7)
npermutations(LETTERS[1:5])
npermutations(5, 2)
npermutations(LETTERS, k = 5)

# integer overflow
## Not run: npermutations(14, 10)
npermutations(14, 10, bigz = TRUE)

# number of permutations of `c("a", "b", "b")`
# they are `c("a", "b")`, `c("b", "b")` and `c("b", "b")`
npermutations(k = 2, freq = c(1, 2))

# zero sized partitions
npermutations(0)
npermutations(5, 0)
npermutations(5, 6)
npermutations(0, 1)
npermutations(0, 0)
```

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Partitions

*Partitions iterator*

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### Description

This function returns a **Partitions** iterator for iterating partitions of an non-negative integer  $n$  into  $k$  parts or parts of any sizes. The iterator allows users to fetch the next partition(s) via the `getNext()` method.

### Usage

Partitions

```
ipartitions(n, k = NULL, descending = FALSE, skip = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

n	an non-negative integer to be partitioned
k	number of parts
descending	logical to use reversed lexicographical order
skip	the number of partitions skipped

**Format**

An object of class R6ClassGenerator of length 24.

**Details**

The Partitions class can be initialized by using the convenient wrapper `ipartitions` or

```
Partitions$new(n, k = NULL, descending = FALSE)
```

```
getNext(d = 1L, layout = NULL, drop = NULL)
collect(layout = "row")
reset()
```

**d** number of fetched arrangements

**layout** if "row", "column" or "list" is specified, the returned value would be a "row-major" matrix, a "column-major" matrix or a list respectively

**drop** vectorize a matrix or unlist a list

**See Also**

[partitions](#) for generating all partitions and [npartitions](#) to calculate number of partitions

**Examples**

```
ipart <- ipartitions(10)
ipart$getNext()
ipart$getNext(2)
ipart$getNext(layout = "column", drop = FALSE)
# collect remaining partitions
ipart$collect()

library(foreach)
foreach(x = ipartitions(6, 2), .combine=c) %do% {
  prod(x)
}
```

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partitions

*Partitions generator*


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### Description

This function partitions an non-negative interger n into k parts or parts of any sizes. The results are in lexicographical or reversed lexicographical order.

### Usage

```
partitions(n, k = NULL, descending = FALSE, layout = NULL,
  nitem = -1L, skip = NULL, index = NULL, nsample = NULL,
  drop = NULL)
```

### Arguments

n	an non-negative integer to be partitioned
k	number of parts
descending	logical to use reversed lexicographical order
layout	if "row", "column" or "list" is specified, the returned value would be a "row-major" matrix, a "column-major" matrix or a list respectively
nitem	number of partitions required, usually used with skip
skip	the number of partitions skipped
index	a vector of indices of the desired partitions
nsample	sampling random partitions
drop	vectorize a matrix or unlist a list

### See Also

[ipartitions](#) for iterating partitions and [npartitions](#) to calculate number of partitions

### Examples

```
# all partitions of 6
partitions(6)
# reversed lexicographical order
partitions(6, descending = TRUE)

# fixed number of parts
partitions(10, 5)
# reversed lexicographical order
partitions(10, 5, descending = TRUE)

# column major
partitions(6, layout = "column")
partitions(6, 3, layout = "column")
```

```
# list output
partitions(6, layout = "list")
partitions(6, 3, layout = "list")

# zero sized partitions
dim(partitions(0))
dim(partitions(5, 0))
dim(partitions(5, 6))
dim(partitions(0, 0))
dim(partitions(0, 1))
```

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Permutations	<i>Permutations iterator</i>
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## Description

This function returns a **Permutations** iterator for iterating permutations of k items from n items. The iterator allows users to fetch the next permutation(s) via the `getnext()` method.

## Usage

Permutations

```
ipermutations(x, k = n, n = NULL, v = NULL, freq = NULL,
             replace = FALSE, skip = NULL)
```

## Arguments

x	an integer or a vector, will be treated as n if integer; otherwise, will be treated as v
k	an integer, the number of items drawn
n	an integer, the total number of items, its actual value may be determined by other variables
v	a vector to be drawn
freq	an integer vector of item repeat frequencies
replace	an logical to draw items with replacement
skip	the number of combinations skipped

## Format

An object of class `R6ClassGenerator` of length 24.

**Details**

The Permutations class can be initialized by using the convenient wrapper `ipermutations` or

```
Permutations$new(n, k, v = NULL, freq = NULL, replace = FALSE)
```

```
getnext(d = 1L, layout = NULL, drop = NULL)
collect(layout = "row")
reset()
```

**d** number of fetched arrangements

**layout** if "row", "column" or "list" is specified, the returned value would be a "row-major" matrix, a "column-major" matrix or a list respectively

**drop** vectorize a matrix or unlist a list

**See Also**

[permutations](#) for generating all permutations and [npermutations](#) to calculate number of permutations

**Examples**

```
iperm <- ipermutations(5, 2)
iperm$getnext()
iperm$getnext(2)
iperm$getnext(layout = "column", drop = FALSE)
# collect remaining permutations
iperm$collect()

library(foreach)
foreach(x = ipermutations(5, 2), .combine=c) %do% {
  sum(x)
}
```

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permutations

*Permutations generator*

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**Description**

This function generates all the permutations of selecting  $k$  items from  $n$  items. The results are in lexicographical order.

**Usage**

```
permutations(x = NULL, k = n, n = NULL, v = NULL, freq = NULL,
  replace = FALSE, layout = NULL, nitem = -1L, skip = NULL,
  index = NULL, nsample = NULL, drop = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

x	an integer or a vector, will be treated as n if integer; otherwise, will be treated as v
k	an integer, the number of items drawn
n	an integer, the total number of items, its actual value may be determined by other variables
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nitem	number of permutations required, usually used with skip
skip	the number of permutations skipped
index	a vector of indices of the desired permutations
nsample	sampling random permutations
drop	vectorize a matrix or unlist a list

**See Also**

[ipermutations](#) for iterating permutations and [npermutations](#) to calculate number of permutations

**Examples**

```
permutations(3)
permutations(LETTERS[1:3])

# choose 2 from 4
permutations(4, 2)
permutations(LETTERS[1:3], k = 2)

# multiset with frequencies c(2, 3)
permutations(k = 3, freq = c(2, 3))

# with replacement
permutations(4, 2, replace = TRUE)

# column major
permutations(3, layout = "column")
permutations(4, 2, layout = "column")

# list output
permutations(3, layout = "list")
permutations(4, 2, layout = "list")

# specific range of permutations
permutations(4, 2, nitem = 2, skip = 3)
```

```
# specific permutations
permutations(4, 2, index = c(3, 5))

# random permutations
permutations(4, 2, nsample = 3)

# zero sized permutations
dim(permutations(0))
dim(permutations(5, 0))
dim(permutations(5, 6))
dim(permutations(0, 0))
dim(permutations(0, 1))
```

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