

# Package: ewens (via r-universe)

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**Title** Ewens Distribution

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**Description** Implements the probability mass function of, and random draws from, the Ewens distribution, a probability distribution over partitions of integer, as described in Ewens (1972) <[doi:10.1016/0040-5809\(72\)90035-4](https://doi.org/10.1016/0040-5809(72)90035-4)>.

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dewens	<i>Probability mass function for the Ewens distribution</i>
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### Description

Gives the probability mass function for the Ewens distribution, as described in Ewens, Warren (1972). "The sampling theory of selectively neutral alleles". *Theoretical Population Biology*. 3: 87–112. doi:10.1016/0040-5809(72)90035-4.

### Usage

```
dewens(x, theta = 1, log = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

x	A vector giving class memberships of each observation in the sample
theta	A non-negative parameter governing the expected sample diversity.
log	if TRUE, probabilities are given as log(p). Default is FALSE.

### Details

The probability of a vector of counts  $m_1, \dots, m_n$  is given by the expression

$$\frac{n!}{\theta(\theta + 1)\dots(\theta + n - 1)} \prod_{j=1}^n \frac{\theta^{m_j}}{j^{m_j} m_j!}$$

### Value

A numeric vector giving a probability (or if log = TRUE, a log probability)

### Examples

```
x <- sample(LETTERS, 120, replace = TRUE)
dewens(x, theta = 1)
dewens(x, theta = 0) ## returns NaN since vector incompatible with zero diversity
```

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dewens_k	<i>Probability mass function for the number of classes from a Ewens distribution</i>
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### Description

Probability mass function for the number of classes from a Ewens distribution

### Usage

```
dewens_k(k, n, theta)
```

### Arguments

k	An integer number of classes at which to evaluate the PMF
n	A sample size not less than k
theta	A non-negative parameter governing the expected sample diversity.

### Details

The number of classes from a Ewens distribution with parameter  $\theta$  is given by the expression

$$Pr(K = k) = |S_n^k| \frac{\theta^k}{\theta(\theta + 1)\dots(\theta + n - 1)}$$

, where  $|S_n^k|$  is the absolute value of a Stirling number of the first kind.

### Value

The probability of observing k classes

### Examples

```
x <- sample(LETTERS, 120, replace = TRUE)
dewens_k(1, 20, theta = 1) ## Pretty unlikely we just see one class
```

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ewens_k_exact	<i>Calculate expected number of classes in a sample of size n given theta</i>
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**Description**

The expected number of classes from the Ewens distribution is given by  $\theta \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\theta+j-1}$ . This is often more convenient than integrating across the PMF given by dewens\_k

**Usage**

```
ewens_k_exact(n, theta)
```

**Arguments**

n	The sample size
theta	The non-negative parameter governing expected sample diversity

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ewens_mle	<i>Maximum likelihood estimate of theta given sample vector with class memberships</i>
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**Description**

Maximum likelihood estimate of theta given sample vector with class memberships

**Usage**

```
ewens_mle(x)
```

**Arguments**

x	A vector containing class memberships; sample size n and number of classes k are calculated from this
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**Value**

A scalar giving the estimate of theta

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`gcrp`*Draw from a generalized Chinese Restaurant Process*

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**Description**

Draw from a generalized Chinese Restaurant Process

**Usage**

```
gcrp(n, alpha = 0, theta = 1)
```

**Arguments**

<code>n</code>	The sample size.
<code>alpha</code>	A parameter between zero and one inclusive governing the expected sample diversity
<code>theta</code>	A non-negative parameter governing the expected sample diversity.

**Value**

A vector of length `n` consisting of numeric class labels.

**Examples**

```
rewens(100, 1)
rewens(120, 0.5)
rewens(10, 0)
```

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`rewens`*Draw from the Ewens distribution*

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**Description**

Returns a vector with class membership

**Usage**

```
rewens(n, theta = 1)
```

**Arguments**

<code>n</code>	The sample size.
<code>theta</code>	A non-negative parameter governing the expected sample diversity.

**Details**

Although this command is described as sampling from the Ewens distribution, it is easier to think of it as a particular instantiation of the Chinese Restaurant Process, run for  $n$  "customers". The  $j$ th customer

- sits at a new table with probability  $\frac{\theta}{j-1+\theta}$ , or
- sits at an occupied table with probability  $\frac{c}{j-1+\theta}$  where  $c$  is the number of customers already at each table.

**Value**

A vector of length  $n$  consisting of numeric class labels.

**Examples**

```
rewens(100, 1)
rewens(120, 0.5)
rewens(10, 0) ## equal to rep(1, 10)
```

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 rgem

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*Draw from the Griffiths-Engen-McCloskey distribution*


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**Description**

Draw from the Griffiths-Engen-McCloskey distribution

**Usage**

```
rgem(alpha = 0, theta = 1, trunc_at = 500)
```

**Arguments**

alpha	A parameter between zero and one
theta	A parameter which must be greater than $-\alpha$
trunc_at	An integer which specifies the maximum number of components to return

**Details**

The Griffiths-Engen-McCloskey distribution is the infinite dimensional counterpart to the Ewens sampling distribution. This function does not return an infinite dimensional vector(!), but returns a vector of shares created by a "stick-breaking" construction. The vector of shares is returned after  $\text{trunc\_at}$  sticks are broken; this can mean that there is still a non-negligible residual amount.

**Value**

A vector of shares of length  $\text{trunc\_at}$  which may sum to less than one

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