

## Practice Exercise #37: N Choose K

[http://www.comp.nus.edu.sg/~cs1020/4\\_misc/practice.html](http://www.comp.nus.edu.sg/~cs1020/4_misc/practice.html)

### Objective:

- Using recursion

### Task statement:

Find out all possible combinations of choosing  $K$  letters out of an input string of  $N$  distinct letters.

The input consists of an integer  $K$  and a string of  $N$  distinct lowercase letters listed in alphabetical order.

Assume that  $1 \leq N \leq 16$  and  $1 \leq K \leq N$ . Print out all distinct letter combinations in alphabetical order: every combination can be represented as a string consisting of  $K$  letters listed in alphabetical order.

### Input

The input consists two lines. The first line contains an integer  $K$  and the second line contains  $N$  distinct lowercase letters listed in alphabetical order.

(In your program, you should use more descriptive variable names instead of  $K$  and  $N$  and follow Java naming convention.)

### Output

Output all distinct letter combinations in alphabetical order.

### Sample Input #1

2

abcd

### Sample Output #1

ab

ac

ad

bc

bd

cd

**Sample Input #2**

4  
abcd

**Sample Output #2**

abcd

**Sample Input #3**

1  
abcd

**Sample Output #3**

a  
b  
c  
d