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Given a random placement of balls in urns, what is the probability $P(k_1, k_2, \dots, k_r)$ of observing a given occupancy configuration (k_1, k_2, \dots, k_r) ?