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5.267 multi_global_contiguity

DESCRIPTION LINKS

Origin Derived from global_contiguity.

Constraint multi_global_contiguity(VARIABLES)

Synonym multi_contiguity.

Argument VARIABLES : collection(var-dvar)

 ${\bf Restrictions} \qquad \qquad {\tt required}({\tt VARIABLES}, {\tt var})$

 ${\tt VARIABLES.var} \geq 0$

Purpose Enforce all variables of the VARIABLES collection to be assigned a value greater than or equal to 0. In addition, each value v strictly greater than 0 should appear contiguously.

Example ((0, 2, 2, 1, 1, 0, 0, 5))

The multi_global_contiguity constraint holds since the sequence $0\ 2\ 2\ 1\ 1\ 0\ 0\ 5$ contains no more than one group of contiguous 1, no more than one group of contiguous 2, and no more than one group of contiguous 5.

Typical |VARIABLES| > 3

Symmetry Items of VARIABLES can be reversed.

Arg. properties

Contractible wrt. VARIABLES.

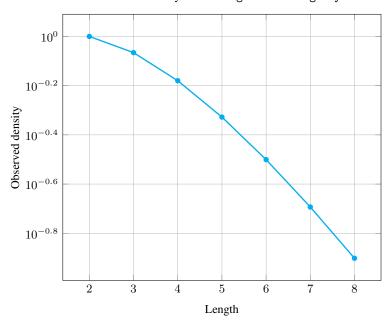
Counting

Length (n)	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Solutions	9	55	413	3656	37147	425069	5400481

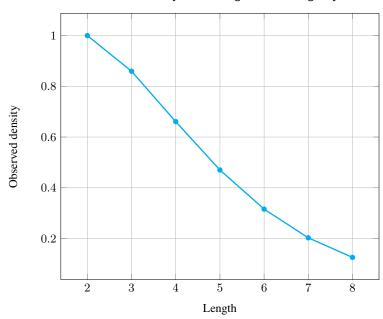
Number of solutions for $multi_global_contiguity$: domains 0..n

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Solution density for ${\tt multi_global_contiguity}$



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See also

common keyword: group (sequence).

implied by: all_equal, alldifferent, alldifferent_except_0, decreasing,
global_contiguity, increasing.

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Keywords combinatorial object: sequence.

constraint type: predefined constraint.

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