

# Problem 52

It can be seen that the number, 125874, and its double, 251748, contain exactly the same digits, but in a different order.

Find the smallest positive integer,  $x$ , such that  $2x$ ,  $3x$ ,  $4x$ ,  $5x$ , and  $6x$ , contain the same digits.

## Solution

The integer must start with a 1{0,1,2,3,4,5,6}, and must contain at least three digits (the first and last change). It must be a multiple of 3, because  $3n$  is, and contains the same digits.

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In[88]:= f[n_] :=  
  With[{ans = Select[Range[10^n + 2, 10^n + 7 × 10^{n-1}, 3], ReleaseHold@Map[Sort, Hold[  
    IntegerDigits[#] === IntegerDigits[2 #] === IntegerDigits[3 #] ===  
    IntegerDigits[4 #] === IntegerDigits[5 #] === IntegerDigits[6 #]],  
    {2}] &, 1]}], If[ans === {}, $Failed, ans]]
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I use ParallelTry because it is the easiest way to break as soon as an answer is found, not because evaluation is slow enough to need to be parallelised.

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In[89]:= ParallelTry[f, Range[7]]
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Out[89]= {142857}
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