1047-11-455 Dimitris Koukoulopoulos* (dkoukou2@illinois.edu), Department of Mathematics, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, IL 61801. Generalized multiplication tables.
Fix $k \geq 2$. For $N_{1}, \ldots, N_{k}$ integers consider the $k$-dimensional multiplication table formed by taking all products $n_{1} \cdots n_{k}$ with $n_{i} \leq N_{i}, 1 \leq i \leq k$. Let $A_{k}\left(N_{1}, \ldots, N_{k}\right)$ be the number of distinct integers that appear in this table. We seek bounds on $A_{k}\left(N_{1}, \ldots, N_{k}\right)$. In 2004 Ford established the order of magnitude of $A_{2}(N, N)$. We generalize Ford's result by determining the order of magnitude of $A_{k}(N, \ldots, N)$ when $k>2$. Finally, we investigate how $A_{3}\left(N_{1}, N_{2}, N_{3}\right)$ behaves when the sizes of $N_{1}, N_{2}, N_{3}$ start varying. (Received February 03, 2009)

