

### Ex. 3

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a)

Let  $A$  be the given sequence and  $n$  its length.

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1  randomPermutation(A, n)
2      B = []

3      for i in 1, ..., n do
4          index = RANDOM(n - i + 1)
5          B[i] = A[index] # append A[index] to
                           # list B
6          swap(A[index], A[n - i + 1]) # swap
                                       # appended element
                                       # with last element of A

7      return B
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b)

Line 1-2:	$O(1)$
Line 3-6:	$O(n)$
Line 7:	$O(1)$

=> running time is  $O(n)$

c) In each iteration an index of a number gets selected, that hasn't been appended to B yet. The number gets appended to B and in A it gets swapped with the last number, that hasn't been picked yet.

The probability for a number to be selected for the  $i$ -th position is  $\frac{1}{n-i+1}$ .

Therefore the probability for any output permutation is

$$\prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{n-i+1} = \frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{n-1} \cdot \dots \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{1} = \frac{1}{n!}$$