



*Assignment 9:*  
*Generating Permutations*  
*with Recursive Backtracking*  
**Due in class Thursday, 11/29**

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This is a very short assignment. The weekend's assignment will be longer.

Write a function `generate_permutation(n, candidate=None)` that takes a positive integer  $n$  and prints out all  $n!$  permutations of 0 through  $n - 1$  (in any order). Use the paradigm of recursive backtracking discussed in class.

For instance, `generate_permutation(3)` prints:

012  
021  
102  
120  
201  
210

Bonus points if each run through the function (not counting the recursive calls it makes) is  $O(n)$  in the length of the candidate, not  $O(n^2)$ . (Note that the `in` function with Python lists is linear in the length of the list.)