A few more examples w/ recursion.

Permutations (bijective functions (1-1, onto) from a set to itself.)
(finite)

Another way to think of it is all re-orderings of a list.

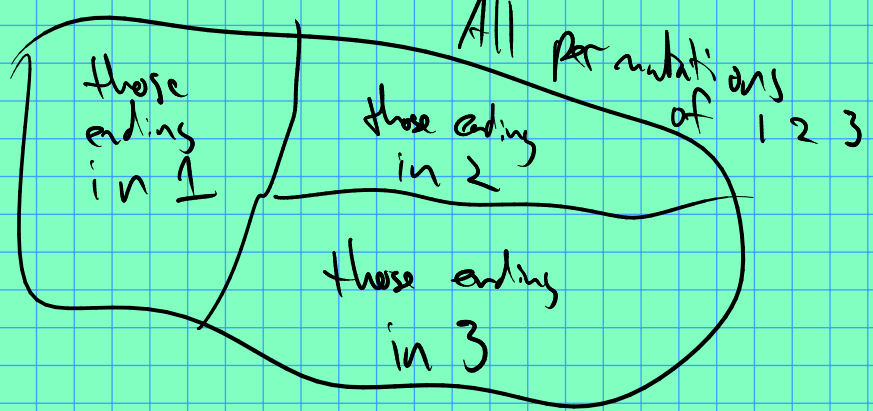
Ex: Say list = 1 2 3.

Then permutations of 1 2 3 are

1	2	3
2	1	3
1	3	2
3	1	2
2	3	1
3	2	1

for a list of size n, there are n! permutations.

Idea: for every element, give it a turn to be last, and permute the first n-1 elements in all possible ways.



Base case: say $n=1$ (n = size of list)

$L = [1]$

Then perms$(L) = [[1]]$.

Sketch in C++: ($n = L.size()$)

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vector<vector<int>> perms(vector<int> L)
{
    if (L.size() == 1) {
        vector<vector<int>> P;
        P.push_back(L);
        return P;
    }
    int n = L.size();
    vector<vector<int>> P; // init. val.
    for (int i = 0; i < L.size(); i++) {
        // put L[i] last:
        swap(L[i], L[n-1]);
        int x = L[n-1];
        L.pop_back();
        vector<vector<int>> T = perms(L);
        for (j=0; j<T.size(); j++) {
            T[j].push_back(x);
            P.push_back(T[j]);
        }
        L.push_back(x);
        swap(L[i], L[n-1]);
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    }
    return p;
}
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