

ADJUST-Assignment 1 Explained

Please design a script that writes the numbers from 1 - 10 in random order. Each number should appear only once. You can use bash only. Please provide tests for the script, along with documentation which should include the following:

- Build instructions
- Usage
- Description
- Known limitations / bugs

Solution:

Since there is only finite sequence we can use Fisher–Yates shuffle for generating a random permutation of a finite sequence.

Script:

```
#!/bin/bash
echo $(seq 10) | tr " " "\n" | shuf | tr '\n' ' '
```

Usage:

The Fisher-Yates shuffle (named after Ronald Fisher and Frank Yates) is used to randomly permute given input (list). The permutations generated by this algorithm occur with the same probability.

- Download the script `random.sh` to your local machine.

Commands to run after download:

- `chmod +x random.sh`

- `sh random.sh`

Build Instruction:

```
echo $(seq 10)
```

'seq' command in Linux is used to generate numbers from FIRST to LAST in steps of INCREMENT.

```
[root@server ~]# echo $(seq 10)
```

```
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
```

```
SHUF
```

shuf - generate random permutations

```
tr:: translate
```

"tr" command is to remove "new line" characters from a file. The new line character is specified as "\n".

Fisher-Yates is a perfect shuffling algorithm. It is a great shuffle with its $O(n)$ complexity and its guaranteed uniformity. It permits in-place updates of arrays (so in most, if not all, imperative programming environments).

