| COS 350 Spring 2018 Class Exercise 7 | 4 questions; 2 pgs. 2018-02-15 |
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Today Probabilistic analysis; §§ $5 .\{1,2\}$.
Next class Homework due. Catch-up and review.
Reminders Midterm exam soon. Newsgroup.

1. List the members of your group below. Underline your name.
2. A derangement of the sequence $1,2, \ldots, n$ is a permutation of the sequence in which no element is at its original position. The number of derangements of an $n$-element sequence is often denoted by $!n$, and called the subfactorial of $n$, by analogy with the $n$ ! being the factorial.
List all derangements of $n$ elements, for each value of $n=0,1,2,3,4$.
3. Prove or disprove: $!n=(n-1)(!(n-1)+!(n-2))$ for $n>1$.
4. Recall the factorial: $n!=n(n-1)$ ! for $n>1$ with 0 ! $=1$. Prove or disprove: $n!=(n-1)((n-1)!+(n-2)!)$ for $n>1$.
