

# Generate Parentheses

Given n pairs of parentheses, write a function to generate all combinations of well-formed parentheses.

For example, given n = 3, a solution set is:

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    "((()))",  
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Solution in C++

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class Solution {  
public:  
  
    void push_unique_pattern(vector<string> &r, map<string,int> &mp, string pattern) {  
        if (!mp[pattern]) {  
            r.push_back(pattern);  
            mp[pattern]=1;  
        }  
    }  
  
    vector<string> generateParenthesis(int n) {  
        vector<string> r;  
        map<string,int> mp;  
        string s;  
  
        if (n==1) r.push_back("()");  
        else if (n>1) {  
            vector<string> tmp=generateParenthesis(n-1);  
  
            for(int i=0; i<tmp.size(); i++) {  
                push_unique_pattern( r, mp, "(" + tmp[i] + ")");  
            }  
  
            for(int i=1; i<n; i++) {  
                vector<string> tmp1=generateParenthesis(i);  
                vector<string> tmp2=generateParenthesis(n-i);  
                for(int j=0; j<tmp1.size(); j++)  
                    for(int k=0; k<tmp2.size(); k++) {  
                        push_unique_pattern( r, mp, tmp1[j] + tmp2[k]);  
                        push_unique_pattern( r, mp, tmp2[k] + tmp1[j]);  
                    }  
            }  
        }  
        sort(r.begin(), r.end());  
        return r;  
    }  
};
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Solution in Java

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class Solution {
    public List<String> generateParenthesis(int n) {
        List<String> combinations = new ArrayList();
        generateAll(new char[2 * n], 0, combinations);
        return combinations;
    }

    public void generateAll(char[] current, int pos, List<String> result) {
        if (pos == current.length) {
            if (valid(current))
                result.add(new String(current));
        } else {
            current[pos] = '(';
            generateAll(current, pos+1, result);
            current[pos] = ')';
            generateAll(current, pos+1, result);
        }
    }

    public boolean valid(char[] current) {
        int balance = 0;
        for (char c: current) {
            if (c == '(') balance++;
            else balance--;
            if (balance < 0) return false;
        }
        return (balance == 0);
    }
}

def generateParenthesis(self, N):
    if N == 0: return ['']
    ans = []
    for c in xrange(N):
        for left in self.generateParenthesis(c):
            for right in self.generateParenthesis(N-1-c):
                ans.append('({}){}'.format(left, right))
    return ans

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### Solution in Python

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class Solution(object):
    def generateParenthesis(self, n):
        def generate(A = []):
            if len(A) == 2*n:
                if valid(A):
                    ans.append("".join(A))
            else:
                A.append('(')
                generate(A)
                A.pop()
                A.append(')')
                generate(A)
                A.pop()

        def valid(A):
            bal = 0
            for c in A:
                if c == '(': bal += 1
                else: bal -= 1
                if bal < 0: return False
            return bal == 0

        ans = []
        generate()
        return ans

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