
Subject: sort ordering

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I'm confused by the following behavior:

```
> IDL> print,stations[0:9]
> S301 S301 S301 S301 S301 S301 S301 S301 S301 S301
> IDL> print,sort(stations[0:9])
>    5  1  2  3  4  0  6  7  8  9
>
```

If the elements of certain part of an array are identical, why does IDL not generate sort indices in ascending order? This has ugly implications for some programs I am writing. Thanks,

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