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Posted by [Kenneth P. Bowman](#) on Thu, 21 Jul 2011 16:21:03 GMT
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Posted by [M R](#) on Thu, 21 Jul 2011 16:57:35 GMT
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Posted by [Gray](#) on Fri, 22 Jul 2011 02:17:17 GMT

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Or, sort the numbers in a numerical format (like integers) instead of as strings.

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 Posted by [Carsten Lechte](#) on Mon, 25 Jul 2011 08:20:34 GMT
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Or, if the filenames are not under one's control, one could try to parse them like this:

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files = string( indgen(100), format=('%03d',i0))
print, files

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fileswrong = files[ sort( files)] ; sort lexically  
print, fileswrong  
nums = long( strmid( fileswrong, 4))  
print, nums  
filesrightagain = fileswrong[ sort( nums)]  
print, filesrightagain
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