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Yeah, I agree - very confusing. I guess that I would make dataout
big enough to hold the longest possible set of data's and just
append. Then after it is all done resort dataout to the desired order.
Otherwise, you are going to have to move large blocks of data
around every time you do an 'insert'. you are obviously sorting
these data by some criteria. Either add that info to the data's or
keep it as a separate array.

Joe Zawodny

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And people who look out for me gently point out that
I meant this:

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Joe -

I surely might be missing something, but this problem looks like it could be solved very effectively by using a linked list of structures. This would make it very easy to insert or append nodes, and you could "sort" your nodes by keeping an array of pointers to the nodes, and just sort the pointers (instead of the structures, which is inefficient).

Dave

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