

KnotSort@l sorts the knots of the list l where alternating knots always come first and all further order is determined lexicographically where non-alternating knots are first compared by absolute value, and then further canonically.

**KnotSort@l\_List :=**

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KnotSort@l = Sort[l, If[Length@#1 == Length@#2,  
  If[#1 === Abs /@ #1,  
    #2 != Abs /@ #2 || Order[#1, #2] == 1,  
    #2 != Abs /@ #2 && If[Abs /@ #1 === Abs /@ #2,  
      Order[#1, #2] == 1,  
      Order[Abs /@ #1, Abs /@ #2] == 1]] ,  
  Length@#1 < Length@#2] &];
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