

PROGRAM 482i

(Selection Sort)

Program Description: Read a series of two-digit integers into an array from an unordered external file. Write a function that accepts that array, sorts the integers by using a SELECTION SORT and returns the ordered array to the main program for output.

One of the simplest sorting algorithms for the selection sort works as follows:

1. Find the smallest element in the array and exchange it with the element in the first position.
2. Find the second smallest element and exchange it with the element in the second position.
3. Continue this way until the entire array is sorted.

Example:

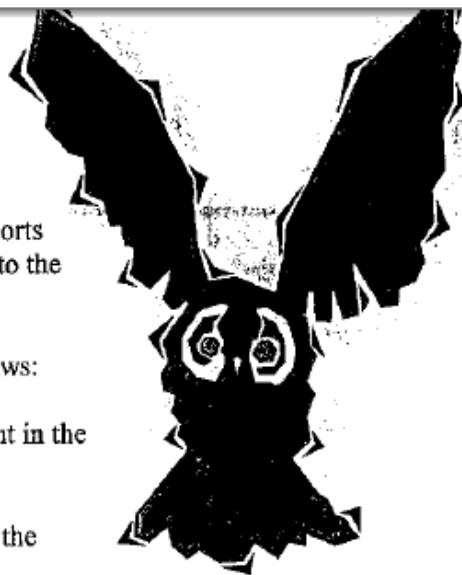
Original List:	12	5	8	3	1	1
Pass 1	1	5	8	3	12	1
Pass 2	1	1	8	3	12	5
Pass 3	1	1	3	8	12	5
Pass 4	1	1	3	5	12	8
Pass 5	1	1	3	5	8	12
Sort Completed						

The selection sort is often the method used for sorting files with very large records and small keys.

Statements Required: input, output, decision making, loop control, array

Data Location: numsort.dat

Exact copy: (see next page)



Original List:

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