sort

Sort lines of text files.

• Sort a file in ascending order:

```
sort {{filename}}
```

• Sort a file in descending order:

```
sort -r {{filename}}
```

• Sort a file using numeric rather than alphabetic order:

```
sort -n {{filename}}
```

• Sort the passwd file by the 3rd field, numerically:

```
sort -t: -k 3n /etc/passwd
```

• Sort human-readable numbers (in this case the 5th field of ls -lh):

```
ls -lh | sort -h -k 5
```