

sortCharStr

Write a C function sortCharStr() that accepts a character string str as parameter, sorts the characters in the string according to ascending order and returns the resultant string to the calling function via str. You may assume that the character string contains only lower case characters. For example, if str = "goodies", the resultant string will be "degioos".

A sample program template is given below:

```
#include <stdio.h>
void sortCharStr(char *str);
int main()
{
    char str[80];

    printf("Enter a string: \n");
    scanf("%s", str);
    sortCharStr(str);
    printf("sortCharStr(): %s\n", str);
    return 0;
}

void sortCharStr(char *str)
{
    /* Write your code here */
}
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void sortCharStr(char *str)
{
    char c, *p, *q, *r;
    for(p=str; *p; p++)
    {
        for(q=r=p; *q; q++)
        {
            if(*r > *q)
                r=q;
        }
        if(r!=p)
        {
            c=*r;
            *r=*p;
            *p=c;
        }
    }
}
```

Some test input and output sessions are given below:

- (1) Test Case 1:
Enter a string:
big
sortCharStr(): bgi
- (2) Test Case 2:
Enter a string:
goodies
sortCharStr(): degioos
- (3) Test Case 3:
Enter a string:
have
sortCharStr(): aehv
- (4) Test Case 4:
Enter a string:
difficulty
sortCharStr(): cdfiiltuy

swap the values

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str = 'ab'
&p = &str  => *p = 'b'
&q = &r = &p
first iteration for 2nd loop: 'b' > 'b' -> false
q++ (*q = 'a')
second iteration for 2nd for loop: 'b' > 'a' -> true
&r = &q (char 'a')

since &r (stores char 'a') != &p (stores char 'b')
'b' and 'a' swap
```