

ALGORITHM 86

PERMUTE

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procedure PERMUTE (x, n);
array x; integer n;
comment Each call of PERMUTE executes a permutation of
the first n components of x. It assumes a nonlocal Boolean
variable 'first', which when true causes the procedure to initial-
ise the signature vector p. Thereafter 'first' remains false until
after n! calls;
begin own integer array p[2:n]; integer i, k;
if first then
begin for i := 2 step 1 until n do
p[i] := i; first := false
end initialise;
for k := 2 step 1 until n do
begin integer km; real t;
t := x[1]; km := k - 1;
for i := 1 step 1 until km do
x[i] := x[i+1];
x[k] := t; p[k] := p[k] - 1;
if p[k] ≠ 0 then go to EXIT;
p[k] := k
end k;
first := true;
EXIT: end PERMUTE
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The algorithm was successfully run using the Elliott ALGOL
translator on the National-Elliott 803. Values of n used were 0, 1,
2, 3, 4.