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Select from two sorted arrays

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Write an efficient function

int select (int k, const vector<int>& v1, const vector<int>& v2);

that returns the k-th largest of all the elements contained in v1 and v2, taking into account repeated elements. For instance, if v1 contains a 5 and a 7, and v2 only contains a 5, then a call to select (1, v1, v2) should return 5, a call to select (2, v1, v2) should also return 5, and a call to select (3, v1, v2) should return 7.

Precondition

The vectors v1 and v2 are sorted in nondecreasing order. The index k is correct, that is, it is between 1 and v1. size () + v2. size (). Therefore, at least one of the vectors is not empty.

Observation

You only need to submit the required procedure; your main program will be ignored.

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