

We will do binary search. Let the variable l store the level such that level l , we are searching a range of $n/2^l$ (so it means at level 1, we are searching half the range, at level 2, we are searching 1/4 of the range). The variable $b(j)$ stands for the beginning of the range at level l , and the variable $e(j)$ stands for the end of the range at level l . So, When $l = 0$, $b(0) = 1$, and $e(0) = n$.

Our algorithm is basically we will trust the Liar, so we will still keep searching during the YES region when we ask the for the 2 ranges (begin, mid) and (mid, end). However, if he say "NO" for both regions, we will go back 1 level as he has lied somewhere previously.

Repeat the following procedure Q times, or until you guess the answer:

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if (1 < log(n))
  m = (e(1) - b(1))/2; //middle of the range
  Ask q1 = [b(1), m]; //first question is on the first half
  Ask q2 = [m+1, e(1)]; //second question is on the second half
  if q1 == YES
    l++; //go next level
    b(level) = b(level-1) and e(level) = m; //Set up range for the next level
  else if q2 == YES
    l++; //go next level
    b(level) = m+1 and e(level) = e(level-1); //Set up range for the next level
  else //both q1 and q2 == NO, we will go back 1 level and count the lies
    add 1 lie here;
    l--; //go back 1 level
else if (1 == log(n)) //The range == 1 here
  Ask q = is it your elements;
  if q == YES
    then guess++;
  if (guess == log(n))
    GUESS and exit;
  if q == NO
    add 1 lie here.
    guess = 0;
    level-- //go back 1 level

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I can lie $< \log n$ times, so you decrease your level at most $\log n$ times. Whenever you ask 2 questions, you increase your level by 1, unless the range = 1. Thus, by the end of $6 \log n$ questions, it must be the case that you have asked at least $2 \log n$ queries where the range = 1 (think about it, $2 \log n$ will move you forward $\log n$ level, you go back at most $\log n$, then you move down $\log n$ again, left with $2 \log n$ where the range = 1).

Moreover, at most $\log n$ of those queries can have been lies where range = 1 (and we have already counted the non-lies where range = 1 that cause you to decrease your level). So there must be **at least** $\log n$ queries where range = 1 that are not lies and that do not cause you to decrease your level— i.e., those are correct queries that lead you to guess the correct answer. **THIS IS YOUR ANSWER.** (seems like can do in $4 \log n$ if this is done more carefully, but not sure how).