



## atoi\_ex

Write a function in C or C++ that reads an ASCII character string and returns the integer value that it represents. The function should ignore leading whitespace and stop conversion at the first non-digit character.

Where conversion is not possible, the function should return 0 and indicate an error condition.

If the string is prefixed with "0x" then treat the input as hexadecimal.

Example:

```
int atoi_ex(const char *s, int *error)
{
    ...
}
```

Input	Error?	Returns
"123"	No	123
"-1"	No	-1
"456abc"	No	456
"abc"	Yes	0
"0003"	No	3
""	Yes	0
"0"	No	0
" 123"	No	123
"0x123"	No	291
"0xabc"	No	2748
"0x456g"	No	1110
"0xghi"	Yes	0

The solution should not use any C/C++ runtime library routines such as "`scanf`".

Comment the code so that the interviewer may understand decisions you have taken when writing the code.

**You should spend no more than 30 minutes on this task.**