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# Iterate It



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Consider the following pseudocode, run on an array  $A = [a_0, a_1, \ldots, a_{n-1}]$  of length n:

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rep := 0
while A not empty:
    B := []
    for x in A, y in A:
        if x != y: append absolute_value(x - y) to B
A := B
    rep := rep + 1
```

Given the values of n and array A, compute and print the final value of rep after the pseudocode above terminates; if the loop will never terminate, print -1 instead.

#### **Input Format**

The first line contains a single integer, n, denoting the length of array A. The second line contains n space-separated integers describing the respective values of  $a_0, a_1, \ldots, a_{n-1}$ .

# Constraints

- $1 \le n \le 10^5$
- $1 \le a_i \le 5 \times 10^4 \ \forall \ 1 \le i \le n$

# **Output Format**

Print the final value of rep after the pseudocode terminates; if the loop will never terminate, print -1 instead.

# Sample Input 0

3 1 3 4

### Sample Output 0

4

#### **Explanation 0**

After the first loop, A becomes [2, 3, 2, 1, 3, 1]. After the second loop, the array only contains 1's and 2's. After the third loop, the array only contains 1's. After the fourth loop, the array is empty. Because the value of rep is incremented after each loop, rep = 4 at the time the loop terminates. Thus, we print 4 as our answer.

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