```
public static int compute(int number1, int number2, int number3) {
if (number1 > number2 && number1 < number3 | | number1 < number2 && number1 > number3) {
    return number1:
} else if (number2 > number1 && number2 < number3 || number2 < number1 && number2 > number3) {
    return number2;
} else if (number3 > number1 && number3 < number2 || number3 < number1 && number3 > number2) {
    return number3;
```