function GIBBS-ASK(X, **e**, bn, N) **returns** an estimate of $\mathbf{P}(X \mid \mathbf{e})$
  local variables: **C**, a vector of counts for each value of X, initially zero
                     Z, the nonevidence variables in bn
                     x, the current state of the network, initialized from **e**

  initialize **x** with random values for the variables in **Z**
  for k = 1 **to** N **do**
    choose any variable Z_i from **Z** according to any distribution $\rho(i)$
    set the value of Z_i in **x** by sampling from $\mathbf{P}(Z_i \mid mb(Z_i))$
    $\mathbf{C}[j] \leftarrow \mathbf{C}[j] + 1$ where x_j is the value of X in **x**
  return NORMALIZE(**C**)