

Problem 475: Heaters

Problem Information

Difficulty: Medium

Acceptance Rate: 40.90%

Paid Only: No

Tags: Array, Two Pointers, Binary Search, Sorting

Problem Description

Winter is coming! During the contest, your first job is to design a standard heater with a fixed warm radius to warm all the houses.

Every house can be warmed, as long as the house is within the heater's warm radius range.

Given the positions of `houses` and `heaters` on a horizontal line, return _the minimum radius standard of heaters so that those heaters could cover all houses._

Notice that all the `heaters` follow your radius standard, and the warm radius will be the same.

Example 1:

Input: houses = [1,2,3], heaters = [2] **Output:** 1 **Explanation:** The only heater was placed in the position 2, and if we use the radius 1 standard, then all the houses can be warmed.

Example 2:

Input: houses = [1,2,3,4], heaters = [1,4] **Output:** 1 **Explanation:** The two heaters were placed at positions 1 and 4. We need to use a radius 1 standard, then all the houses can be warmed.

Example 3:

Input: houses = [1,5], heaters = [2] **Output:** 3

****Constraints:****

`* `1 <= houses.length, heaters.length <= 3 * 104` * `1 <= houses[i], heaters[i] <= 109``

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {  
public:  
    int findRadius(vector<int>& houses, vector<int>& heaters) {  
  
    }  
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {  
public int findRadius(int[] houses, int[] heaters) {  
  
}  
}
```

Python3:

```
class Solution:  
    def findRadius(self, houses: List[int], heaters: List[int]) -> int:
```