Guess the number

Example task

Short name: gue

Time limit: 1 s

Memory limit: 64 MB

A two-person "guess the number" game is given. The rules are as follows: the first player chooses a number in the range [1, n], and gives the second player n ($1 \le n \le 10^6$). The other player must guess the selected number. He may ask questions saying "is the secret number greater than x?" Write a program that will help the second player guess the number, so he doesn't have to use too many queries.

Communication

Your program should use a library which allows querying the first player as well as reporting your final answer. To use the library, write the following in your program header:

- C++: #include "guelib.h"
- Python: from guelib import init, isGreater, answer

The library provides the following three functions:

• init()

This function should be used once, as the first one, to begin the game. The function returns n – the upper bound of the range of numbers which is used during this game.

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- C++: int init();
- Python: def init()
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• isGreater(x)

Use this function to ask the first player, if number x ($1 \le x \le n$) is greater than the number he picked. The function returns true if x is greater, otherwise false.

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- C++: bool isGreater(int x);
- Python: def isGreater(x)
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• answer(x)

This function should be called only once, at the termination of your program. It reports to the first player that x is your guess of his chosen number.

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- C++: void answer(int x);
- Python: def answer(x)
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Your program **cannot** read any data, neither from standard input nor any files. Likewise, it **cannot** write to any files nor the standard output. It can write to the standard diagnostic output (stderr) – remember though that this takes (precious) time.

Your program should terminate immediately after calling the function answer.

Sample execution of a program

Call	Return value	Explanation
init()	5	The game begins. The first player chooses number 4, and we look for a number in
		range [1, 5], which we are informed about by the value of the init() function.
isGreater(4)	false	We ask if the number we are looking for is greater than 4. It is not greater (because
		it is equal), so we get the answer false.
isGreater(3)	true	We ask if the number we're looking for is greater than 3. It's greater, so we get the
		answer true.
answer(4)	-	We already know that the number we are looking for is 4, so we answer and finish
		the program.

Grading

In order for the program to get any points, it must work as required, i.e. follow the rules described in the communication section. If it violates any of these rules, it will receive the "Wrong Answer" verdict. If the above conditions are met, the program is evaluated as follows. If the guessed number is incorrect, it will receive no points for the test. Otherwise, let k be the number of gueries.

- If *k* does not exceed 20, the program will get the full number of points.
- If k is over 30, but does not exceed 2000, the program will get 50% of points for the test.
- If k is more than 20, but not more than 30, the program will receive $50 + (30 k) \cdot 5$ points.
- If none of these conditions are met, the program will get 0 points.

Experiments

The directory dlazaw contains the following files, which allow testing if your program is formally correct:

- C++: a header file guelib.h, a library guelib.cpp and an incorrect sample program gue.cpp
- Python: a library guelib.py and an incorrect sample program gue.py

Note that these libraries are merely for the sake of checking correctness of interaction and differ from those which will eventually evaluate your solution. While in the dlazaw directory, you can compile and run gue.cpp or gue.py. To compile in C++, type:

• g++ -03 -static gue.cpp guelib.cpp -std=c++11 -o gue

Running the Python code doesn't need any extra steps to be taken.

The resulting program reads from input the number n and in the next line the secret number.

Remember that the provided sample library does not check if the input data is in the correct format, nor whether aforementioned conditions are satisfied.