



**Problem D**  
Roots Intervals

Input File: D.IN

Output File: standard output

Program Source File: D.C, D.CPP, D.JAVA

Consider the function  $f(x) = \tan(\sin(x)) - \sin(\tan(x)) + \cos(x)^5 - 0.5$  defined on the interval  $[a, b]$ , and  $nb \geq 1$  a series of subintervals  $[x_i, x_{i+1}]$ ,  $i=1, nb$ , where  $x_1=a$  and  $x_{nb+1}=b$ . Find the number of subintervals that contain “observable” roots of  $f(x)$ . A root in a subinterval  $[x_i, x_{i+1}]$  is “observable” if the existence of that root can be decided without inspecting the behavior of  $f(x)$  for  $x_i < x < x_{i+1}$ , i.e. a subinterval is a black box and you cannot compute inside the interval.

The program input is from a text file. Each data set in the file stands for a particular interval  $[a, b]$  of  $f(x)$  and specifies the limits  $a, b$  (real numbers) and the integer number  $nb$  of subintervals. For each data set the program prints the number of subintervals that contain “observable” roots of  $f(x)$ . Each result is printed on the standard output from the beginning of a line.

White spaces can occur freely in the input. The input data are correct and terminate with an end of file. An input/output sample for the function  $f(x) = 1 - x^2$  is in the table bellow.

Input	Output
-2 2 2	2
0 100 5	1
-1 1 1	1