# **HackerRank**

# Flatland Space Stations

Flatland is a country with a number of cities, some of which have space stations. Cities are numbered consecutively and each has a road of 1km length connecting it to the next city. It is not a circular route, so the first city doesn't connect with the last city. Determine the maximum distance from any city to its nearest space station.

#### **Example**

$$n=3$$
 $c=[1]$ 

There are n=3 cities and city 1 has a space station. They occur consecutively along a route. City 0 is 1-0=1 unit away and city 2 is 2-1=1 units away. City 1 is 0 units from its nearest space station as one is located there. The maximum distance is 1.

#### **Function Description**

Complete the *flatlandSpaceStations* function in the editor below.

flatlandSpaceStations has the following parameter(s):

- int n: the number of cities
- int c[m]: the indices of cities with a space station

#### Returns

- int: the maximum distance any city is from a space station

#### **Input Format**

The first line consists of two space-separated integers, n and m.

The second line contains m space-separated integers, the indices of each city that has a space-station. These values are *unordered* and distinct.

#### **Constraints**

- $1 < n < 10^5$
- $1 \leq m \leq n$
- ullet There will be at least 1 city with a space station.
- No city has more than one space station.

#### **Output Format**

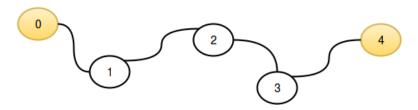
## Sample Input 0

#### **Sample Output 0**

2

#### **Explanation 0**

This sample corresponds to following graphic:



The distance to the nearest space station for each city is listed below:

- c[0] has distance  $0\ km$ , as it contains a space station.
- c[1] has distance  $1\ km$  to the space station in c[0].
- c[2] has distance  $2\ km$  to the space stations in c[0] and c[4].
- c[3] has distance  $1 \ km$  to the space station in c[4].
- ${\it c}[4]$  has distance 0~km, as it contains a space station.

We then take max(0, 1, 2, 1, 0) = 2.

#### **Sample Input 1**

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6 6
0 1 2 4 3 5
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### Sample Output 1

0

# Explanation 1

In this sample, n=m so every city has space station and we print 0 as our answer.