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## Function to fatten numbers

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In this problem, given any natural number x with n digits  $x_1 \dots x_n$ , we say that  $y = y_1 \dots y_n$  is the result of fattening x if, for every i between 1 and n,  $y_i = \max\{x_1, \dots, x_i\}$ . For instance, if we fatten 7 we get 7, if we fatten 32064781 we get 33366788, and if we fatten 9000000 we get 9999999.

Write a function

int fatten (int x);

to return the result of fattening x.

You cannot use vectors in the code. We suggest to think of a recursive solution. You may implement and use auxiliar procedures.

Your program should follow a right programming style. You should include the appropriate comments.

### Precondition

It holds  $0 < x < 10^9$ .

#### Observation

You only need to submit the required procedure; your main program will be ignored.

#### **Problem information**

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