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A (simplified) real world example.

The power of the future



Write a program that monitors a (fictional!) fusion power plant.

The plant has various sensors, measuring:

- The temperature of the plasma in kelvin (K), this is a floating-point number;
- the amount of **power produced** (kW), integer;
- the amount of **power required** by our customers (kW), integer.

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- The program is run every second;
- it SHOULD read the sensor values from input;
- it SHOULD write whether to **increase** or **decrease** the magnetic field that directs the fuel.

- The containment material is only safe for temperatures lower then 28000 K;
- the state of plasma is only maintained for temperatures higher then 18000 K;
- the rate of increase / decrease in temperature is unpredictable, but it is at most 1000 K per second.

The plant SHOULD produce **as much power as needed** while **minimising fuel waste**. It MUST NOT cool off or blow up.

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To increase the field output "UP"; to decrease the field output "DOWN".

Code Examples → The Power of the Future (Use Case) https://expert.ethz.ch/solve/bCW2h5KtkpHGWphKY