

Exercise 1 Hint

To see whether an integer M is odd or not, you could work out $M \bmod 2$.

Remember that you can't modify the arguments of a Maple procedure. Since you may need to swap M and N , you'll probably need to copy them into two other variables (e.g. start with `m:=M; n:=N;`).

For the mathematical question, think binary.

Note that the algorithm is set out in a way which is designed to be as easy as possible to translate into Maple. If you're really stuck, use the following “template”, in which words written in *italics* need to be translated into appropriate Maple commands.

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RussianMultiplication:=proc(m::posint, n::posint)
local M,N,R;
Set M to be the smaller of m and n, N to be the larger
Set R to be 0 if M is even, N if M is odd
while M>1 do
    Set M to be half M, ignoring remainder
    N:=2*N;
    if M is odd
        then R:=R+N;
    end if;
end do;
R;
end proc;
```