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For some people, even with the maximum number of items that they take, we still wouldn't know for certain that if the person is a pass or a failer, such as in this case. So, again, at the 60th item, we begin evaluation. At this point, we don't really know for sure. So, the person keeps getting questioned, right? As you see here, even at the 250th item, the 95% confidence interval is still kind of straddling the line.

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But, you know, this person has already taken the maximum number of items, and the estimate is getting pretty precise. So at the end, we just look at the final estimate, whether the final estimate is above the line or not. And this person is not above the line, so that's a fail.