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b. 2 kilograms
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Jan's cat weighs more. Four kilograms equals 4,000 grams. 4,000 is greater than 2,900, therefore Jan's cat is heavier.

