

2904. Sorting Three Groups

Difficulty : Medium

<https://leetcode.com/problems/sorting-three-groups>

You are given an integer array `nums`. Each element in `nums` is 1, 2 or 3. In each operation, you can remove an element from `nums`. Return the **minimum** number of operations to make `nums` **non-decreasing**.

Example 1:

Input: `nums = [2,1,3,2,1]`

Output: 3

Explanation:

One of the optimal solutions is to remove `nums[0]`, `nums[2]` and `nums[3]`.

Example 2:

Input: `nums = [1,3,2,1,3,3]`

Output: 2

Explanation:

One of the optimal solutions is to remove `nums[1]` and `nums[2]`.

Example 3:

Input: `nums = [2,2,2,2,3,3]`

Output: 0

Explanation:

`nums` is already non-decreasing.

Constraints:

- $1 \leq \text{nums.length} \leq 100$
- $1 \leq \text{nums}[i] \leq 3$

Follow-up: Can you come up with an algorithm that runs in $O(n)$ time complexity?