

# 2560. House Robber IV

## Description

There are several consecutive houses along a street, each of which has some money inside. There is also a robber, who wants to steal money from the homes, but he **refuses to steal from adjacent homes**.

The **capability** of the robber is the maximum amount of money he steals from one house of all the houses he robbed.

You are given an integer array `nums` representing how much money is stashed in each house. More formally, the  $i^{\text{th}}$  house from the left has `nums[i]` dollars.

You are also given an integer `k`, representing the **minimum** number of houses the robber will steal from. It is always possible to steal at least `k` houses.

Return *the minimum capability of the robber out of all the possible ways to steal at least `k` houses*.

### Example 1:

**Input:** `nums = [2,3,5,9], k = 2`

**Output:** 5

**Explanation:**

There are three ways to rob at least 2 houses:

- Rob the houses at indices 0 and 2. Capability is  $\max(\text{nums}[0], \text{nums}[2]) = 5$ .
- Rob the houses at indices 0 and 3. Capability is  $\max(\text{nums}[0], \text{nums}[3]) = 9$ .
- Rob the houses at indices 1 and 3. Capability is  $\max(\text{nums}[1], \text{nums}[3]) = 9$ .

Therefore, we return  $\min(5, 9, 9) = 5$ .

### Example 2:

**Input:** `nums = [2,7,9,3,1], k = 2`

**Output:** 2

**Explanation:** There are 7 ways to rob the houses. The way which leads to minimum capability is to rob the house at index 0 and 4. Return  $\max(\text{nums}[0], \text{nums}[4]) = 2$ .

### Constraints:

- $1 \leq \text{nums.length} \leq 10^5$
- $1 \leq \text{nums}[i] \leq 10^9$
- $1 \leq k \leq (\text{nums.length} + 1)/2$

