

## **Experiment 6.2**

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#### Aim:

**Problem:** : Kth Largest Element in an Array

**Problem statement:** Given an integer array nums and an integer k,

return the k<sup>th</sup> largest element in the array.

Note that it is the k<sup>th</sup> largest element in the sorted order, not the k<sup>th</sup> distinct element.

Can you solve it without sorting?

Example 1:

Input: nums = [3,2,1,5,6,4], k = 2

Output: 5 Example 2:

Input: nums = [3,2,3,1,2,4,5,5,6], k = 4

Output: 4

## Algorithm:

#### · Initialize a Min-Heap:

- Create an empty **min-heap** to store the top k largest elements.
- This will be used to efficiently retrieve the smallest of the k largest elements.

#### · Iterate through each element in the array:

• Loop through all elements num in the input array nums.

#### · Add the current element to the heap:

- For each num, add it to the min-heap (minHeap.push(num)).
- Maintain the heap size of k:
  - If the size of the heap exceeds k, remove the smallest element from the heap (minHeap.pop()).

#### · Continue until all elements are processed:

• Repeat steps 3 and 4 for all elements in the array.

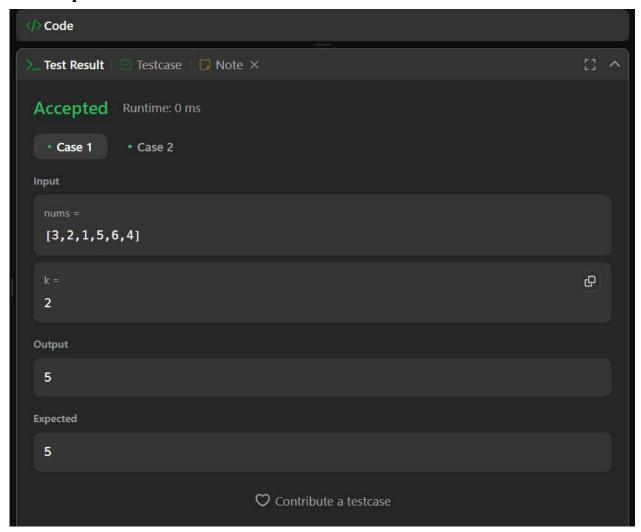
#### Retrieve the Kth largest element:

- After processing all elements, the root of the heap (minHeap.top()) will contain the **Kth** largest element in the array.
- Return the Kth largest element:
  - Return the value at the root of the min-heap.

### Code:

```
#include <vector>
#include <queue> // For priority_queue (min-heap)
using namespace std;
class Solution {
public:
  int findKthLargest(vector<int>& nums, int k) {
    // Min-heap to store the top k largest elements
     priority queue<int, vector<int>, greater<int>> minHeap;
     // Iterate through all elements in nums
     for (int num : nums) {
       minHeap.push(num); // Insert current number into heap
       // If the heap size exceeds k, pop the smallest element
       if (minHeap.size() > k) {
          minHeap.pop();
     // The root of the heap is the kth largest element
     return minHeap.top();
};
```

# **Output**:





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Accepted Runtime: 0 ms

Case 1 Case 2

Input

nums = [3,2,3,1,2,4,5,5,6]

k = 4

Output

4

Expected

4

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