3371. Identify the Largest Outlier in an Array

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You are given an integer array $\begin{bmatrix} nums \end{bmatrix}$. This array contains $\begin{bmatrix} n \end{bmatrix}$ elements, where **exactly** $\begin{bmatrix} n-2 \end{bmatrix}$ elements are **special numbers**. One of the remaining **two** elements is the *sum* of these **special numbers**, and the other is an **outlier**.

An **outlier** is defined as a number that is *neither* one of the original special numbers *nor* the element representing the sum of those numbers.

Note that special numbers, the sum element, and the outlier must have distinct indices, but may share the same value.

Return the largest potential outlier in nums.

Example 1:

Input: nums = [2,3,5,10]

Output: 10

Explanation:

The special numbers could be 2 and 3, thus making their sum 5 and the outlier 10.

Example 2:

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

Output: 4

Explanation:

The special numbers could be -2, -1, and -3, thus making their sum -6 and the outlier 4.

Example 3:

Input: nums = [1,1,1,1,1,5,5]

Output: 5

Explanation:

The special numbers could be 1, 1, 1, 1, and 1, thus making their sum 5 and the other 5 as the outlier.

Constraints:

- 3 <= nums.length <= 10⁵
- [-1000 <= nums[i] <= 1000
- The input is generated such that at least **one** potential outlier exists in nums.

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