# 3613. Minimize Maximum Component Cost

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Medium

Topics



You are given an undirected connected graph with |n| nodes labeled from 0 to |n-1| and a 2D integer array edges where edges[i] =  $[u_i, v_i, w_i]$  denotes an undirected edge between node  $|u_i|$  and node  $|v_i|$  with weight  $|w_i|$ , and an integer |k|.

You are allowed to remove any number of edges from the graph such that the resulting graph has **at most** k connected components.

The **cost** of a component is defined as the **maximum** edge weight in that component. If a component has no edges, its cost is 0.

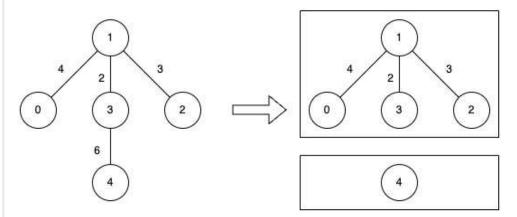
Return the minimum possible value of the maximum cost among all components after such removals.

#### **Example 1:**

**Input:** n = 5, edges = [[0,1,4],[1,2,3],[1,3,2],[3,4,6]], k = 2

Output: 4

**Explanation:** 



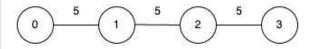
- Remove the edge between nodes 3 and 4 (weight 6).
- The resulting components have costs of 0 and 4, so the overall maximum cost is 4.

## Example 2:

**Input:** n = 4, edges = [[0,1,5],[1,2,5],[2,3,5]], k = 1

Output: 5

**Explanation:** 



- No edge can be removed, since allowing only one component (k = 1) requires the graph to stay fully connected.
- That single component's cost equals its largest edge weight, which is 5.

### **Constraints:**

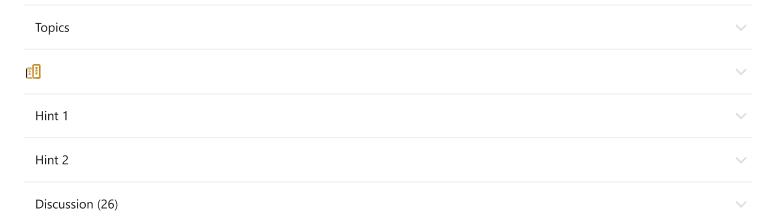
• 1 <= n <= 5 \* 10<sup>4</sup>

- 0 <= edges.length <= 10<sup>5</sup>
  edges[i].length == 3
- 0 <= u<sub>i</sub>, v<sub>i</sub> < n
- $1 \le w_i \le 10^6$
- 1 <= k <= n
- The input graph is connected.

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