Programming Assignment 3: Minima, Maxima, Quickselect, and Median of Medians

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Objective

The objective of this assignment is to implement algorithms to find the minimum, maximum, k-th smallest element using Quickselect, and the median using the Median of Medians algorithm. You'll learn about efficient selection algorithms and their practical applications.

Problem Statement

• Problem Description

- Minima and Maxima: Implement functions to find the minimum and maximum of an array in O(n) time.
- Quickselect: Implement the Quickselect algorithm to find the k-th smallest element in an array in expected O(n) time.
- Median of Medians: Implement the Median of Medians algorithm to find the median of an array in O(n) worst-case time.

Note

- You are expected to work individually on this assignment.
- Plagiarism will not be tolerated. Any suspected plagiarism will result in penalties as per the course policy.