

# Problem 2530: Maximal Score After Applying K Operations

## Problem Information

**Difficulty:** Medium

**Acceptance Rate:** 63.94%

**Paid Only:** No

**Tags:** Array, Greedy, Heap (Priority Queue)

## Problem Description

You are given a **0-indexed** integer array `nums` and an integer `k`. You have a **starting score** of `0`.

In one **operation** :

1. choose an index `i` such that `0 <= i < nums.length` , 2. increase your **score** by `nums[i]` , and 3. replace `nums[i]` with `ceil(nums[i] / 3)` .

Return **\_the maximum possible score you can attain after applying exactly\_** `k` **\_operations\_**.

The ceiling function `ceil(val)` is the least integer greater than or equal to `val`.

**Example 1:**

**Input:** nums = [10,10,10,10,10], k = 5 **Output:** 50 **Explanation:** Apply the operation to each array element exactly once. The final score is  $10 + 10 + 10 + 10 + 10 = 50$ .

**Example 2:**

**Input:** nums = [1,10,3,3,3], k = 3 **Output:** 17 **Explanation:** You can do the following operations: Operation 1: Select  $i = 1$ , so nums becomes  $[1, \underline{4}, 3, 3, 3]$ . Your score increases by 10. Operation 2: Select  $i = 1$ , so nums becomes  $[1, \underline{2}, 3, 3, 3]$ . Your score increases by 4. Operation 3: Select  $i = 2$ , so nums becomes  $[1, 2, \underline{1}, 3, 3]$ . Your score increases by 3. The final score is  $10 + 4 + 3 = 17$ .

**\*\*Constraints:\*\***

\* `1 <= nums.length, k <= 105` \* `1 <= nums[i] <= 109`

## Code Snippets

### C++:

```
class Solution {  
public:  
    long long maxKelements(vector<int>& nums, int k) {  
  
    }  
};
```

### Java:

```
class Solution {  
public long maxKelements(int[] nums, int k) {  
  
}  
}
```

### Python3:

```
class Solution:  
    def maxKelements(self, nums: List[int], k: int) -> int:
```