

PSO 2

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**Warning:** Solving this  $T(n)$  using iterations is a bad idea!

... kind of, we will see that trees help us organize better!

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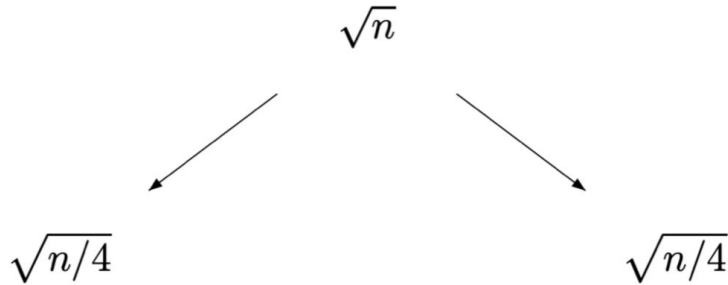
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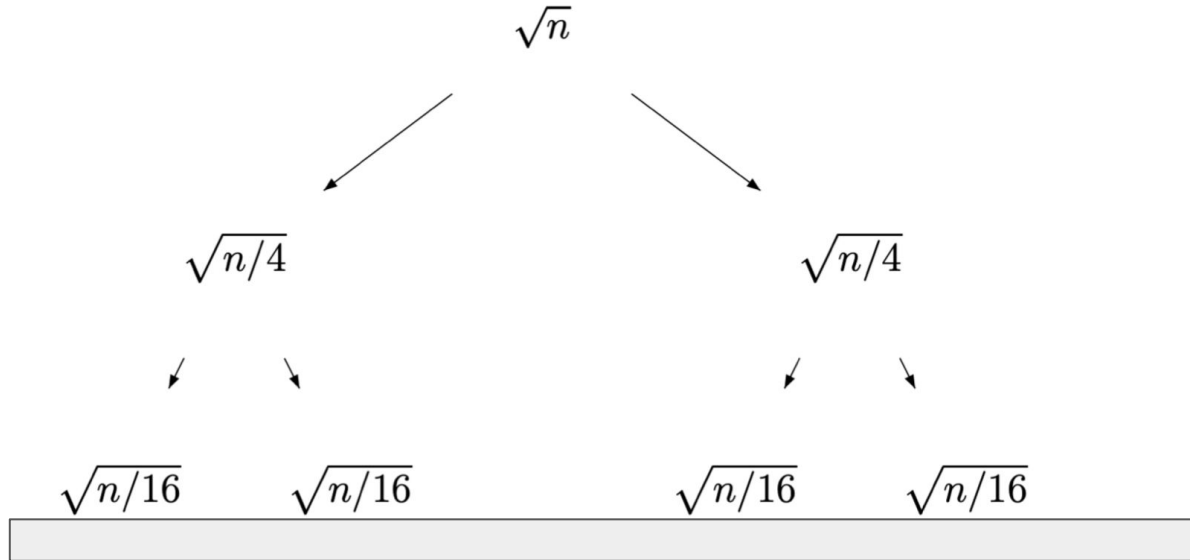
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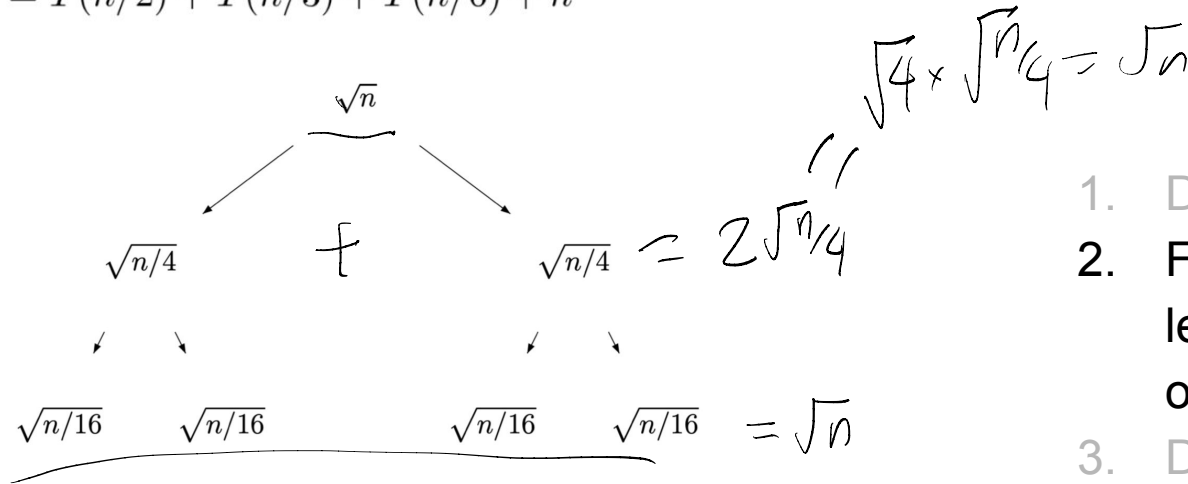
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Cost at second level:  $\sqrt{n/4} + \sqrt{n/4} = 2\sqrt{n/4} = \sqrt{n}$

Cost at  $i$ th level:  $2^i \times \sqrt{n/4^i} = \sqrt{4^i} \times \sqrt{n/4^i} = \sqrt{n}$

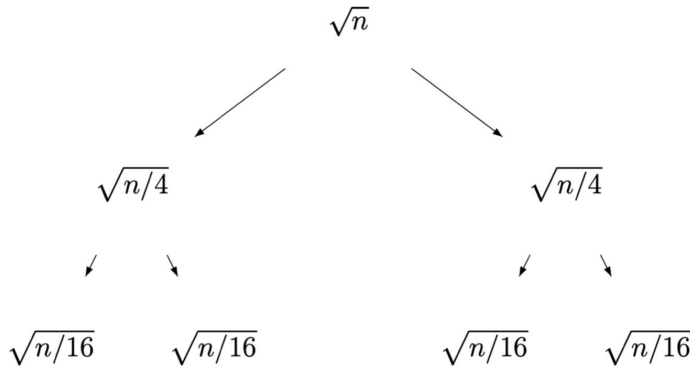
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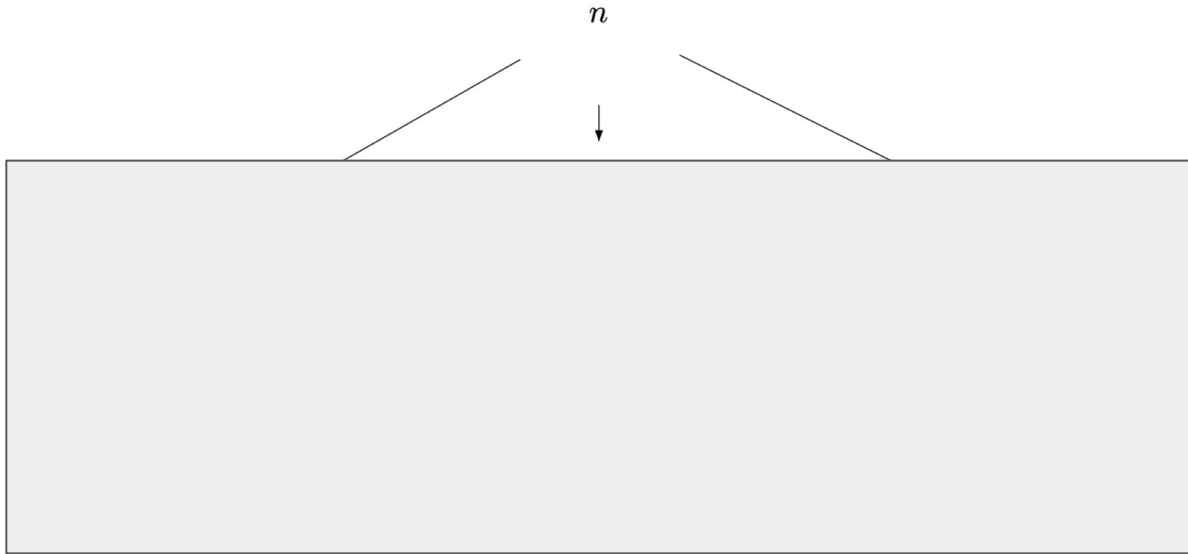
Number of levels:  $\log_4 n$

$\sqrt{n} \times \log_4 n = \sum_{i=0}^{\text{\#levels}} \text{work @ } i\text{th level}$

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i-th level

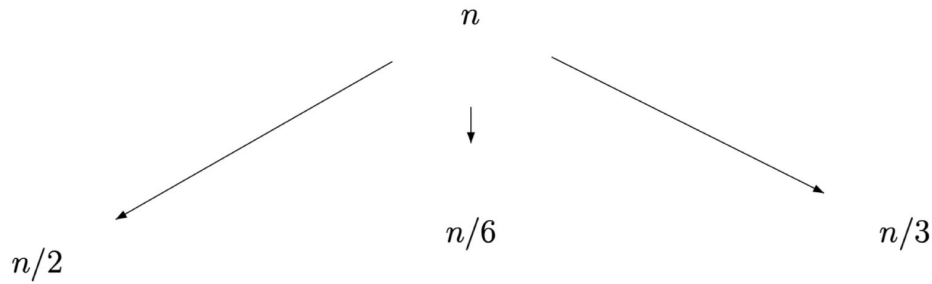


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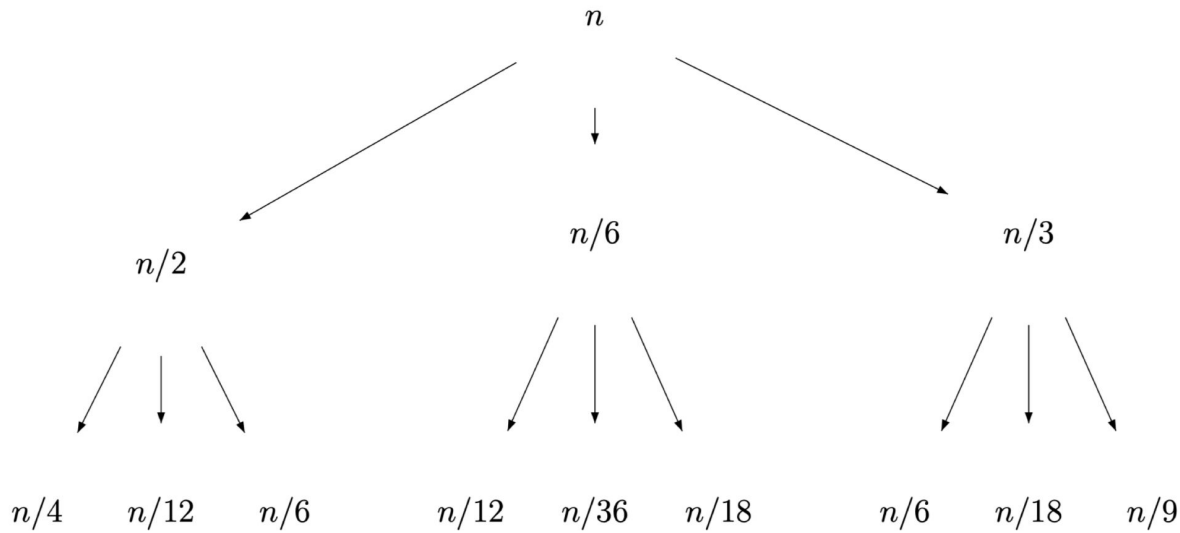
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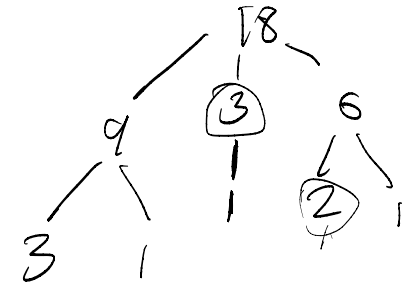
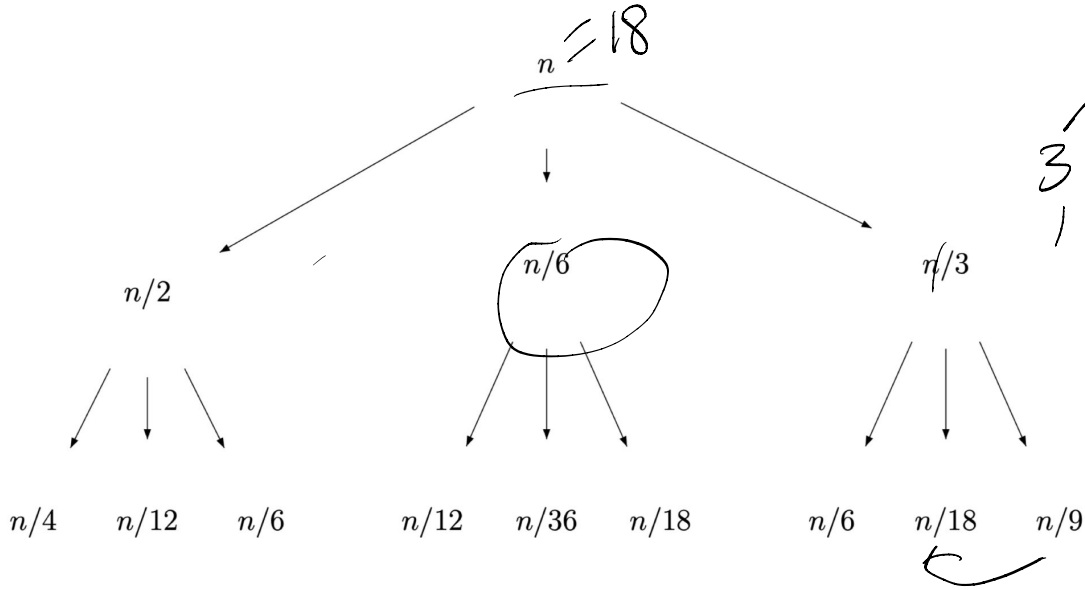
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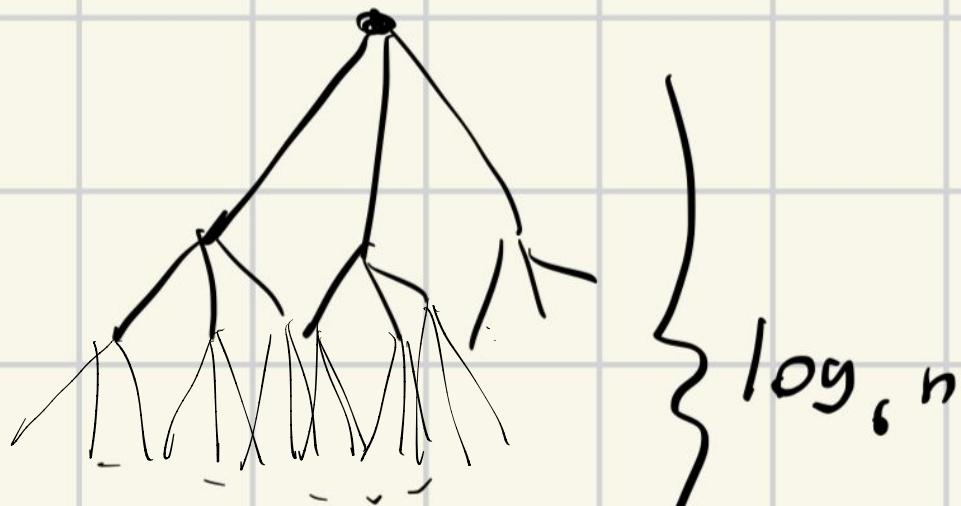
$n \log_6 n - n \log_2 n$   
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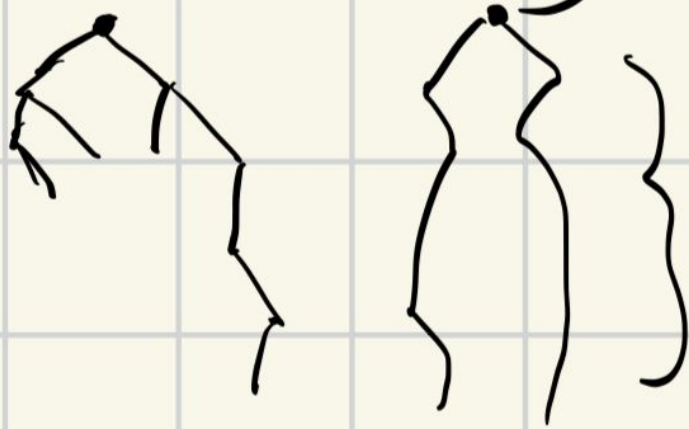
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# levels:  $\log_2 n$

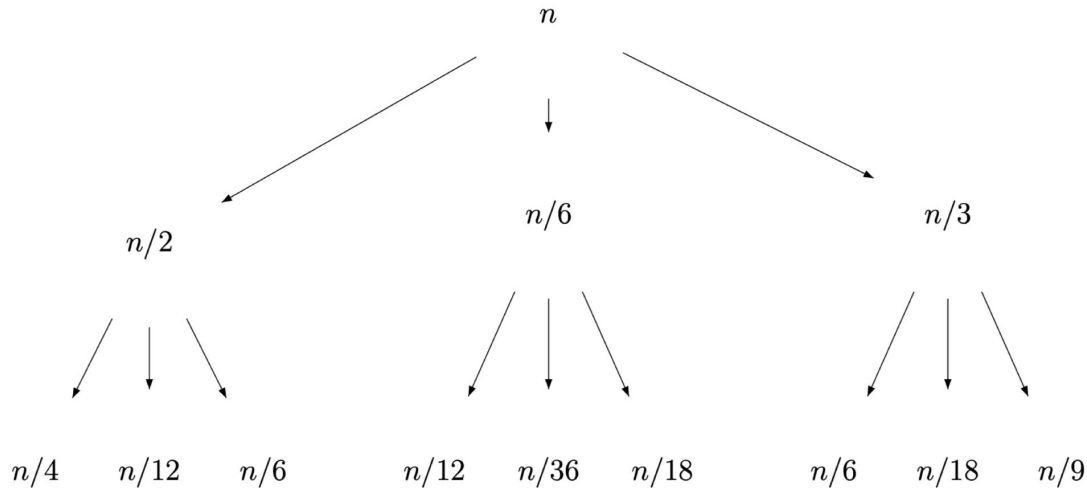


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$\lg n - \log_6 n \leq \lg n$

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$$\begin{aligned} A=2 \quad T(n) &= 2T(1.41\dots) + \log n \\ &\quad + \log 2 \\ &= 2T(1.1\dots) \end{aligned}$$

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E.g question 1 recurrences

Solution: Variable change! But to what value? (hint:  $\sqrt{n} = n^{1/2}$ )

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This is just merge sort!  $O(m \log m) = O(\log n * (\log \log n))$

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$$\binom{n}{2} = \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \in \Theta(n^2)$$

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What can we do in  $n \log n$  time? Sort

Ok now that elements are sorted,

What do we do?

$S$	$x$
[ 1, 5, 2, 3, 4 ]	5
[ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 ]	5

Idea: find pairs smarter

Hold a left, right pointer, calculate sum

If sum  $> x$ : move right pointer

If sum  $< x$ : move left pointer

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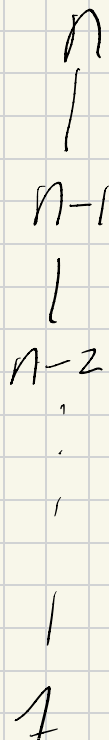
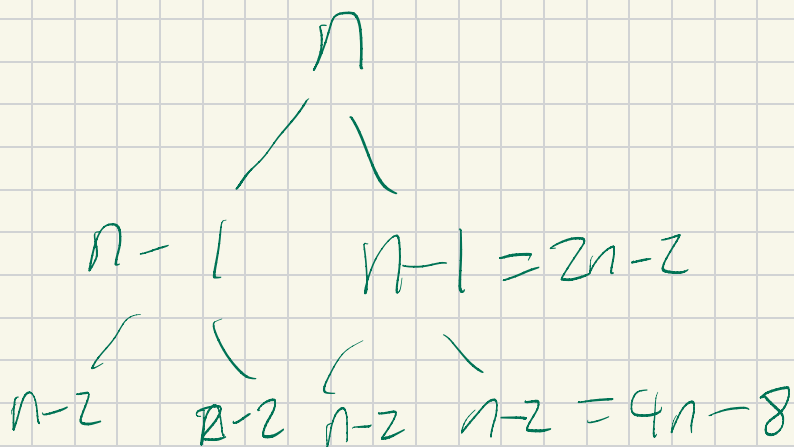
$\Theta(n \log n) + \Theta(n) = \Theta(n \log n)$

Alg(A):

$$\text{call } \underline{2 \text{ Alg}(A[2:])} + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} A[i]$$

$$T(n) = 2T(n-1) + n$$

$$T(1) = 1$$

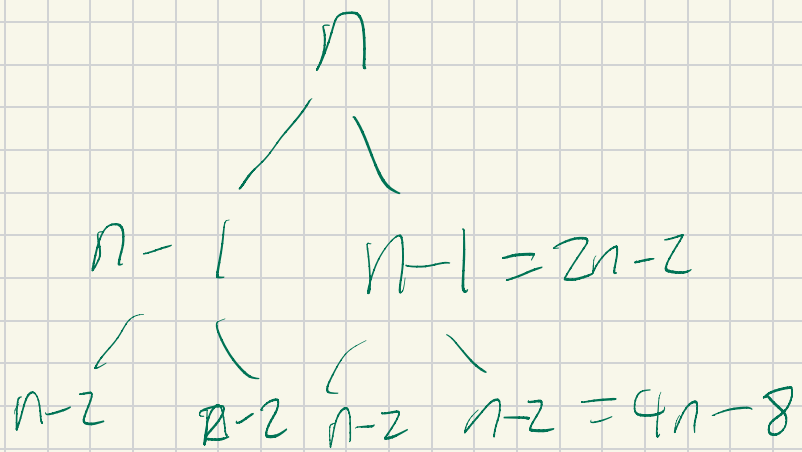


$$\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} n-i = \sum_{i=1}^n i$$

$\parallel$

$$\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n 2^i (n-2) =$$

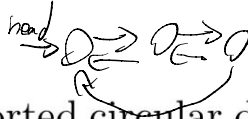


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$$\sum_{i=1}^n i(n-i) = n \sum_{i=1}^n i - \sum_{i=1}^n i^2$$

$$= n(2^{n+1} - 1) - 2n$$

$$\in O(n2^n)$$



### Question 4

let  $n = N$

**(Linked List)** Consider a sorted circular doubly linked list of  $N$  numbers where the head element points to the smallest element in the list. Provide the asymptotic complexity in big- $\Theta$  with a brief explanation (including assumptions and analysis for each case, if there is more than one) for the following operations.

1. Inserting an element in its sorted position.  $\Theta(n)$

2. Finding the smallest element in the list.  $\Theta(1)$

3. Finding the 3<sup>rd</sup> - largest element in the list.  ~~$\Theta(n)$~~  If all values are unique  $\Theta(1)$

If duplicates  $\Theta(n)$

4. Finding the median in the list.  $\Theta(n)$

1 2 2 3 4



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1 1 1 2 2 3 3 4 4 5



c) Prove  $n(2 + \sin^{n\pi/2})$  is  $\Theta(n)$   
f(n)''

wts!  $f(n) \in O(n)$  and  $f(n) \in \Omega(n)$

↓  
wts!  $\exists c > 0, n_0 \in \mathbb{N} : cf(n) \leq n$

$$cn(2 + \sin^{n\pi/2}) = 2cn + c\sin^{n\pi/2} \leq n$$

we see that  $\sin^{n\pi/2} \in [-1, 1]$

$$\leftarrow 3cn \leq n$$

choose  $n_0 = 1$

$$c = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\frac{3}{4}n \leq n \quad \checkmark$$

$$cn \geq n$$

$$c = 1$$