



## 5. DIVIDE AND CONQUER I

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**select the  $k = 8^{\text{th}}$  smallest**

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**recursively select the 3<sup>rd</sup> smallest element in right subarray**

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**stop: desired element is in middle subarray**

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