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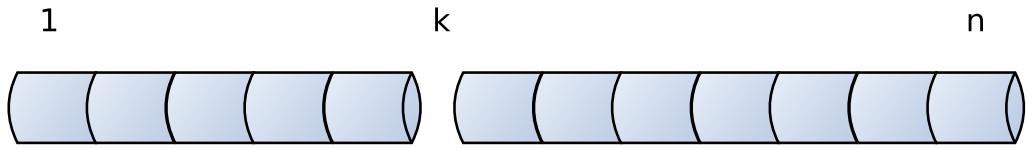

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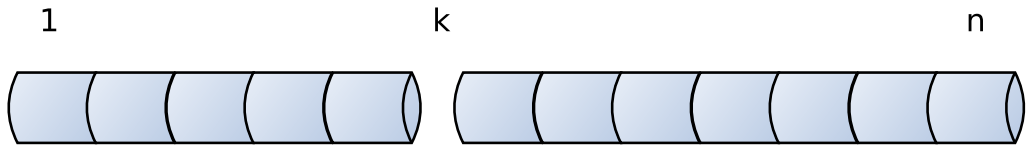

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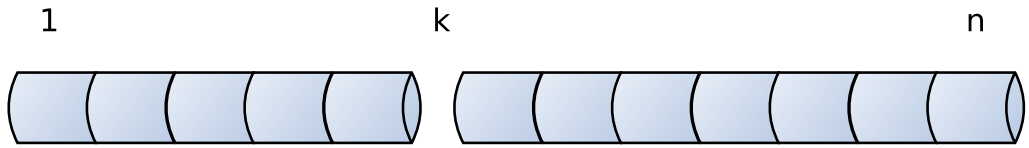

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$$(A_1 \times (A_2 \times A_3)) \times ((A_4 \times A_5) \times A_6)$$

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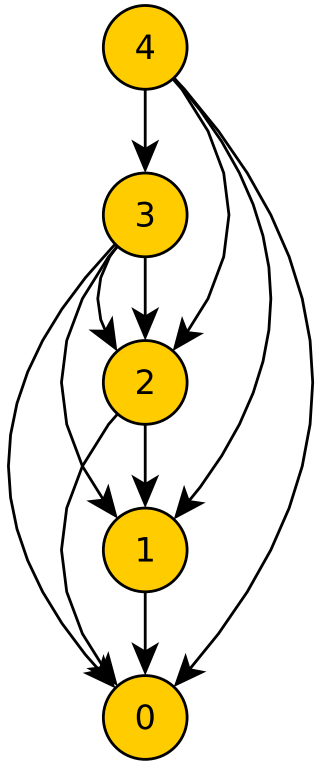

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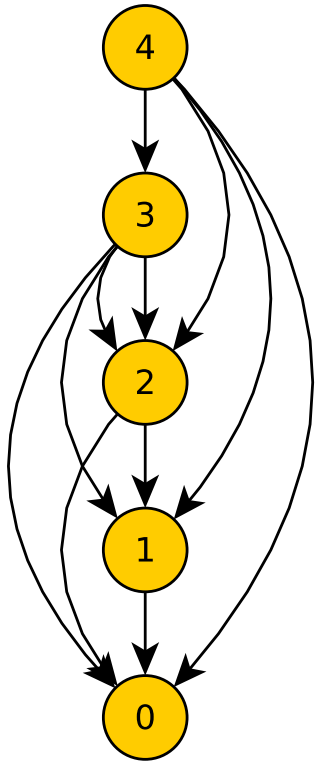

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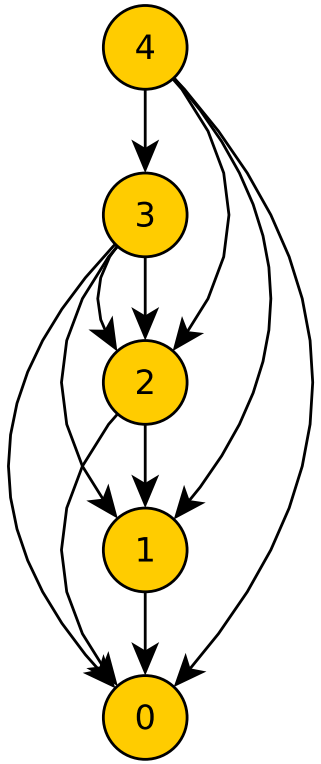

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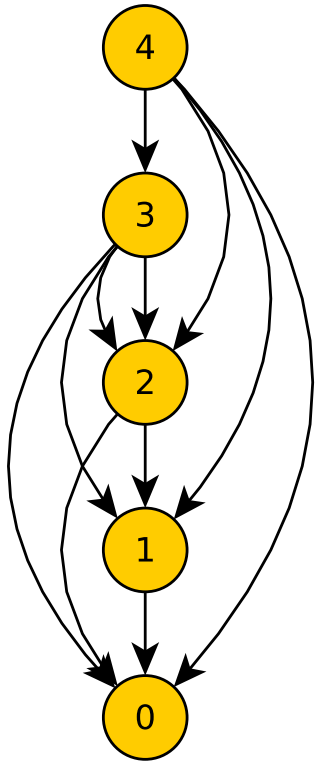

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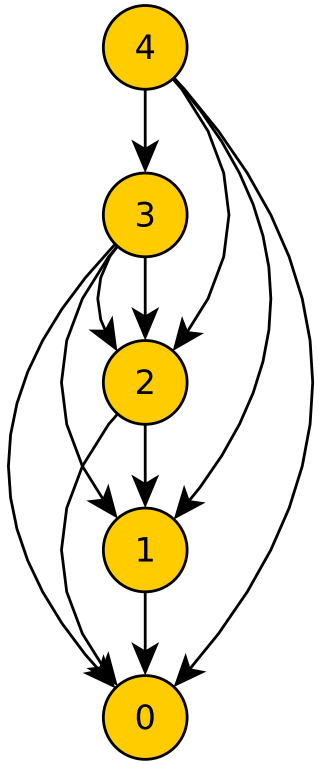

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  if $n \leq 1$ **then**
    return n
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