

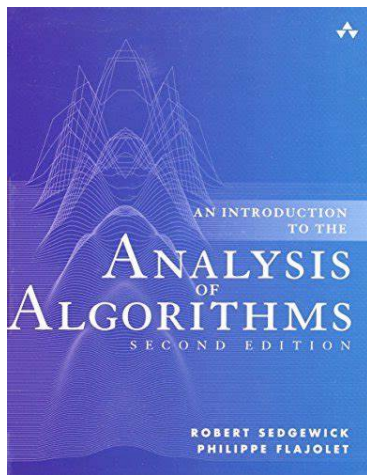
## 2-2 The Efficiency of Algorithms

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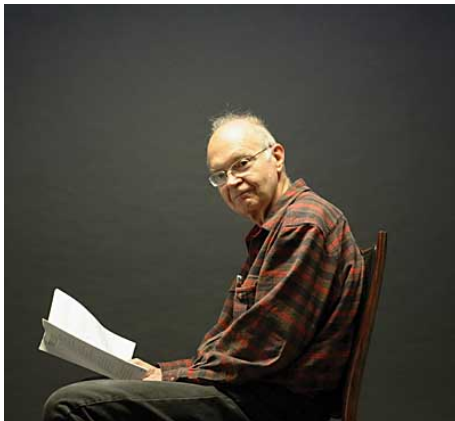
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## The Analysis of Algorithms



Donald E. Knuth (1938 ~)



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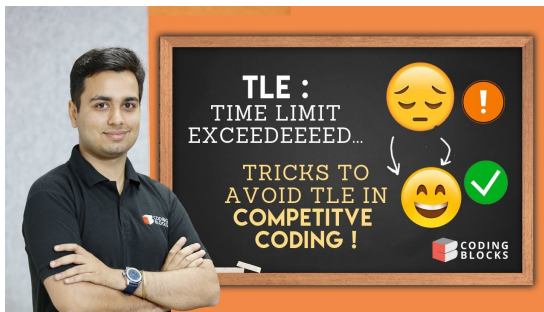
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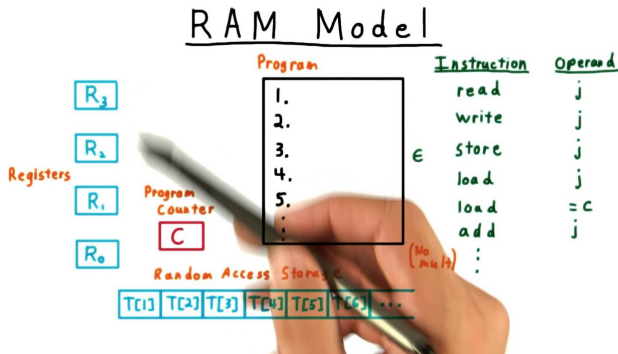
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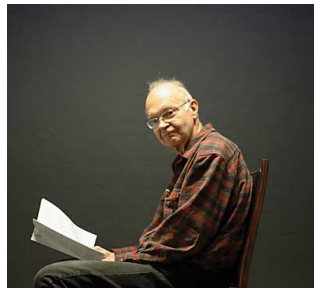
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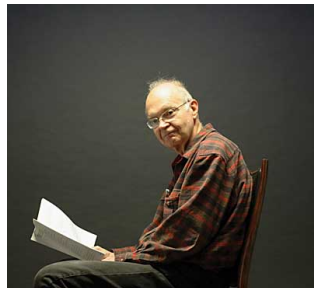


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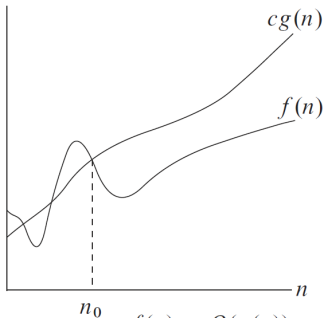
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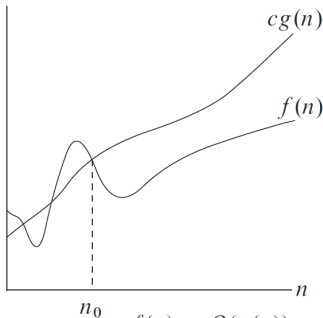
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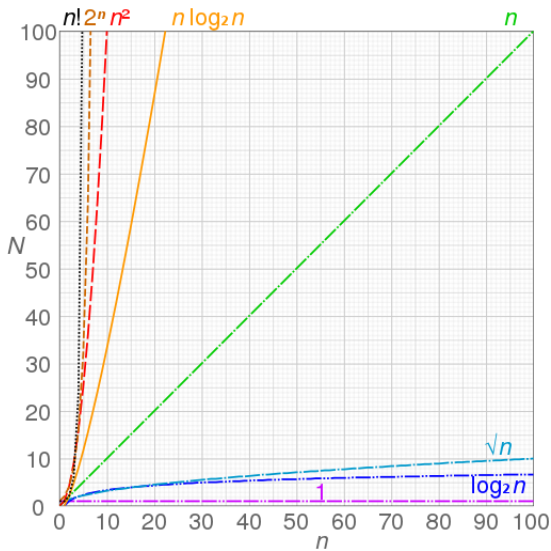
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Critical Operation: copy

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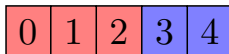
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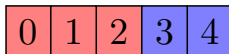
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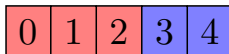
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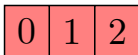
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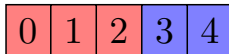
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0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
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6	7	8	0	1	2	3	4	5
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rotate-cyclic	$O(n)$	$O(1)$



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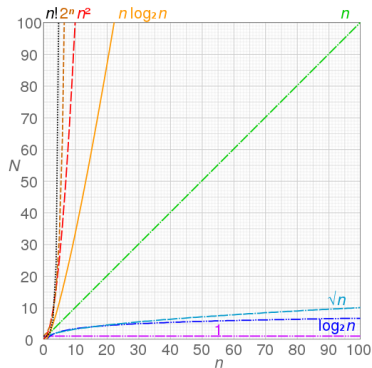
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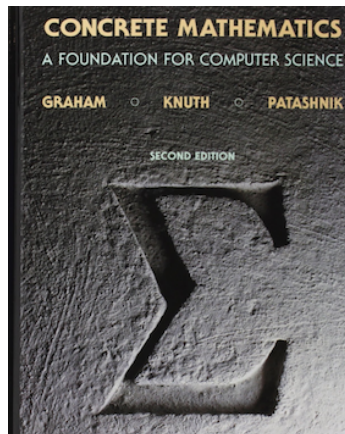
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rotate-reverse	$O(n)$	$O(1)$

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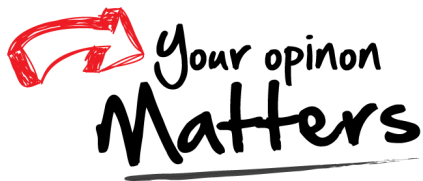
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## Chapter 9: Asymptotics

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