

# Graphs II - Shortest paths

Single Source Shortest Paths

All Sources Shortest Paths

some drawings and notes from prof. Tom Cormen

# Single Source SP

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- Context: directed graph  $G=(V,E,w)$ , weighted edges
- The shortest path (SP) between vertices  $u$  and  $v$  is the path that has minimum total weight

– total weight is obtained by summing up path's edges weights

$$\delta(u, v) = \begin{cases} \min\{w(p) : u \xrightarrow{p} v\} & \text{if there is a path from } u \text{ to } v \\ \infty & \text{otherwise .} \end{cases}$$

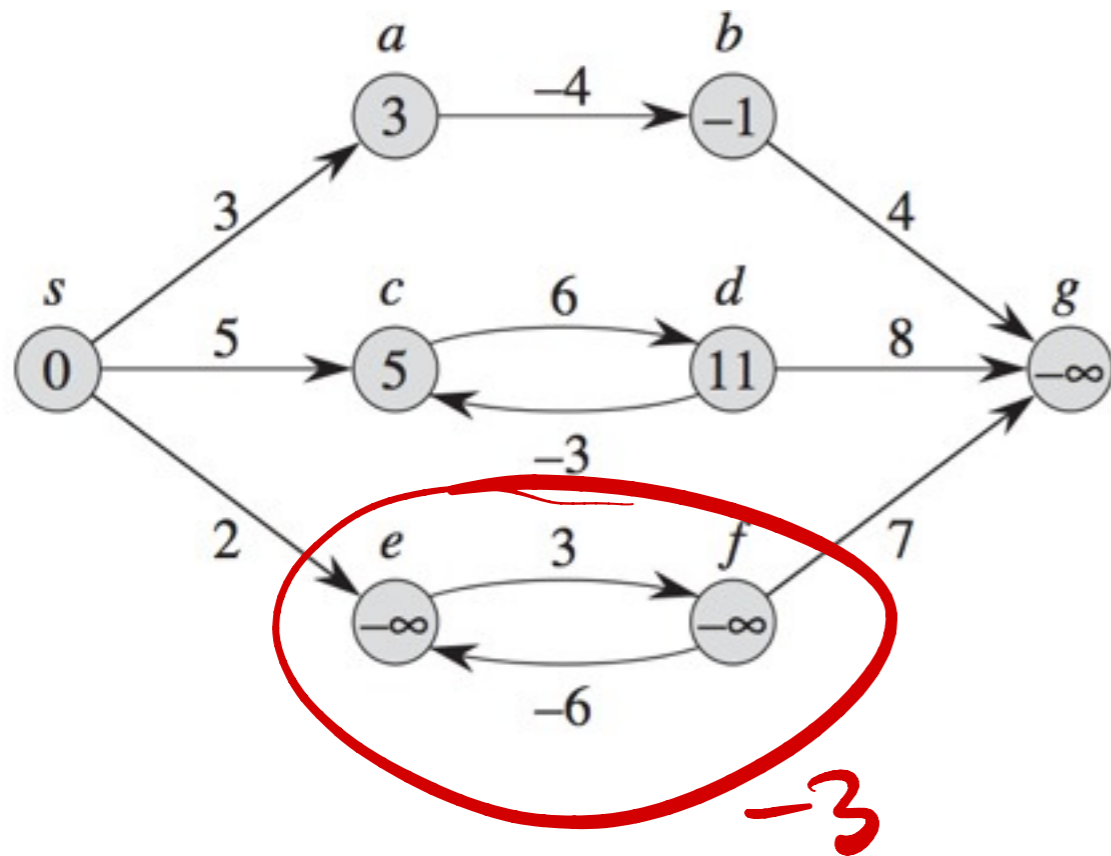
- Note: SP cannot contain cycles

– positive cycles: a shortest path obtained by taking out the cycle

– negative cycles: a shortest path obtained by iterating through the cycle few more times, minimum weight is  $-\infty$ .

# Negative edges and cycles

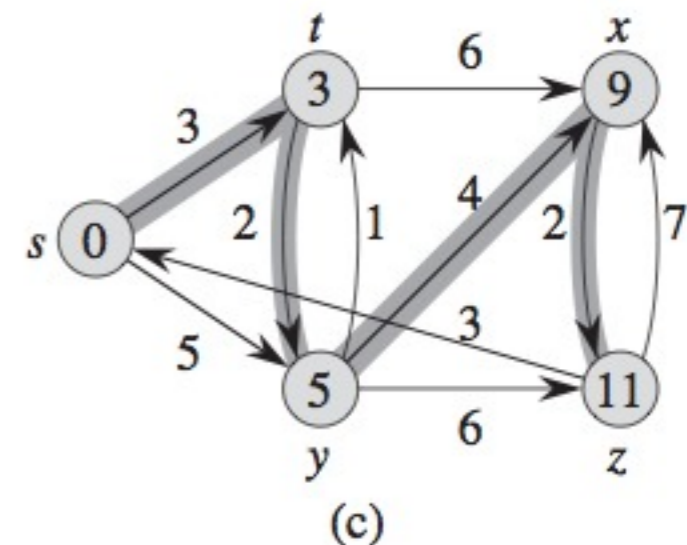
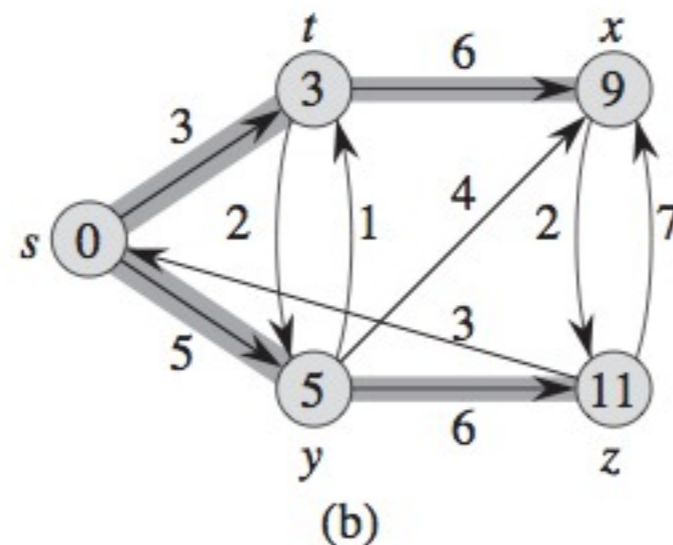
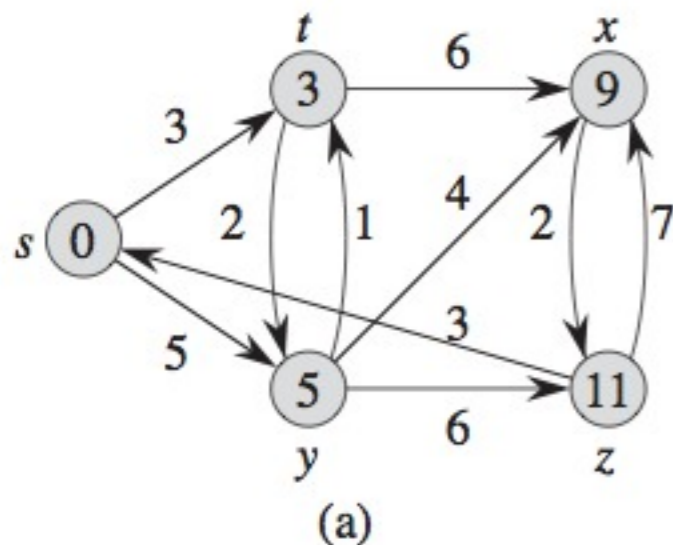
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- negative weights possible
- negative cycles make some shortest paths  $-\infty$

- Exercise: explain the following :
- $SP(s,a)=3$
- $SP(s,b)= -1$
- $SP(s,g)=3$
- $SP(s,e)=-\infty$

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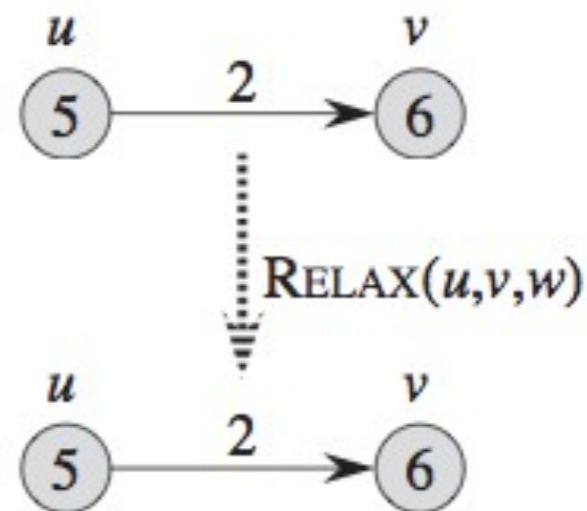
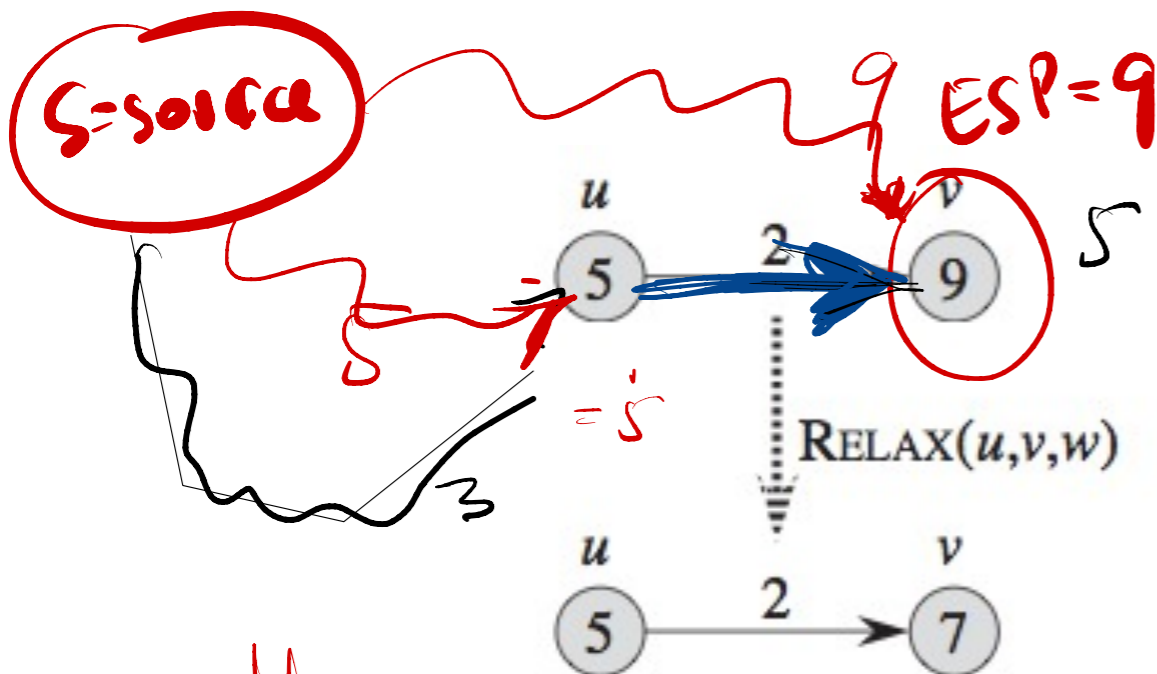


- Task: Given a source vertex  $s \in V$ , find the shortest path from  $s$  to all other vertices
  - will write inside each vertex  $v$  the shortest path estimate  $ESP(s,v)$  weight from the source
  - these estimates change as the algorithm progresses
  - highlight edges that give the SP-s
  - highlighted edges form a tree with source as root
  - tree not unique as (b) and (c) are both valid

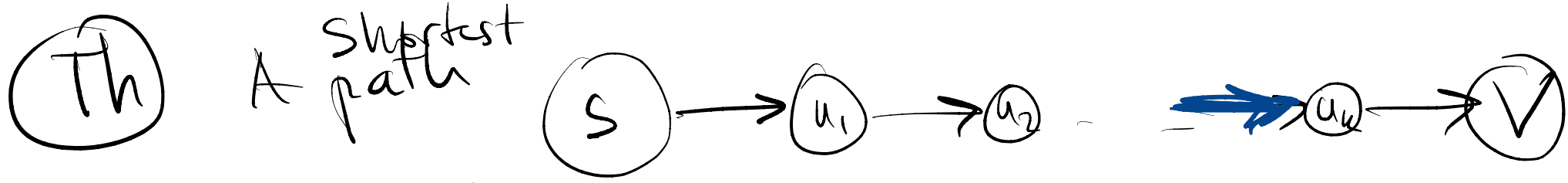
# Relaxation

Estimated shortest path (so far)

- if current (estimate)  $ESP(s,u)$  is 5 and edge  $(u,v)$  has weight  $w(u,v)=2$ , we can reach  $v$  with a path of  $5+2=7$ 
  - if current estimate  $ESP(s,v)$  is more than 7, we "relax edge  $(u,v)$ " by replacing the estimate  $ESP(s,v) = 7$ .
  - if not ( $ESP(s,v) \leq 7$ ), we do nothing



neither path  $s \rightsquigarrow u$  , path  $s \rightsquigarrow v$  are necessarily final.



is discovered ( $ESP(u) = \text{final}$  (min value))

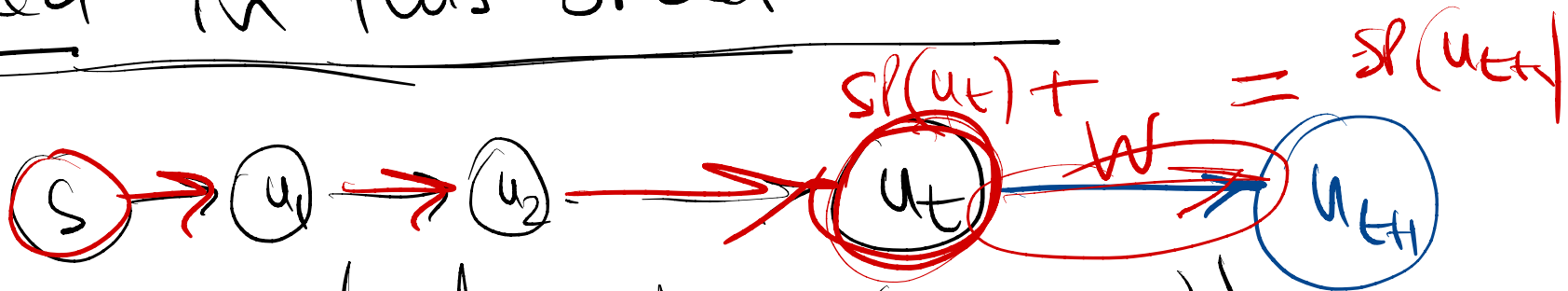
if the edges of the path  $S \rightarrow u_1$  are

$u_1 \rightarrow u_2$

$u_k \rightarrow V$

relaxed in this order

version

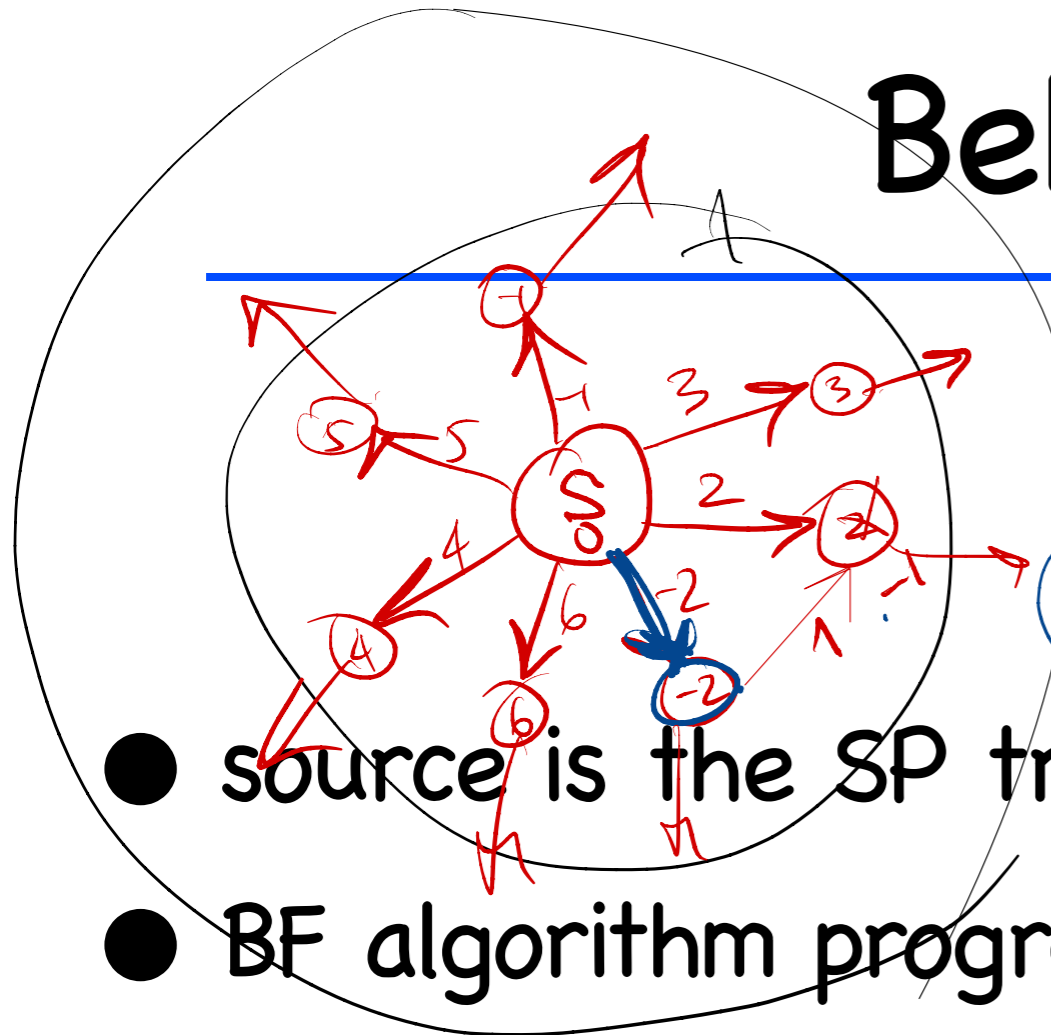


if  $ESP(S, u_k)$  is already the  $SP$  (discovered)

when relaxing the next edge in the true  $SP$  to  $u_{k+1}$

$\Rightarrow ESP(u_{k+1})$  is final

# Bellman Ford



1) find  $SP(s, u)$  thru of exact 1 edge.  
 - relax all edges  $(s \rightarrow u) \Rightarrow ESP$

$Iu$   $SP(s \rightarrow u)$  is one edge  $\Rightarrow$  I found it

- source is the SP tree root
- BF algorithm progresses in "waves", similar to BFS
- takes a maximum of  $|V|-1$  waves to find SP
  - since there cannot be cycles

2) find  $SP(s, u)$  with 1 or 2 edges  
 - relax all edges

# Bellman-Ford SSSP algorithm

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- idea : relax all edges once (in any order) and we've got CORRECT all SP-s of one edge
  - relax again all edges (any order) and we obtained all SP-s of two edges
  - relax ... again, and get all SP-s of three edges
  - no SP can have more than  $|V|-1$  edges, so repeat the relax-all-edges step  $|V|-1$  times, to get all SP-s

## ▶ BELLMAN-FORD

▶ init all SP :  $SP(s, v) = \infty$  for all  $v$ ,  $SP(s, s) = 0$

▶ for  $k=1: |V|-1$

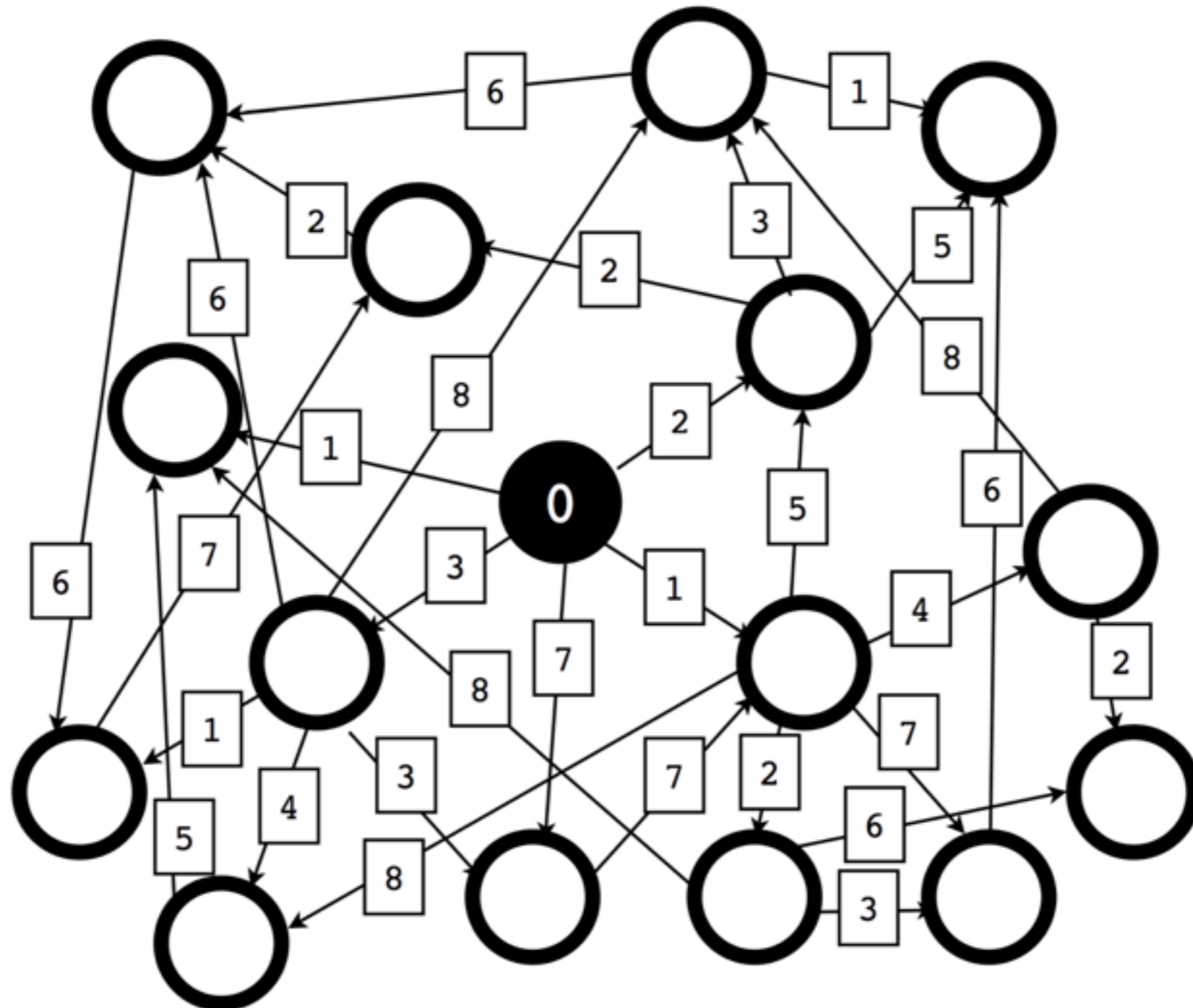
▶ relax all edges

▶ check for negative cycles



# SSSP exercise

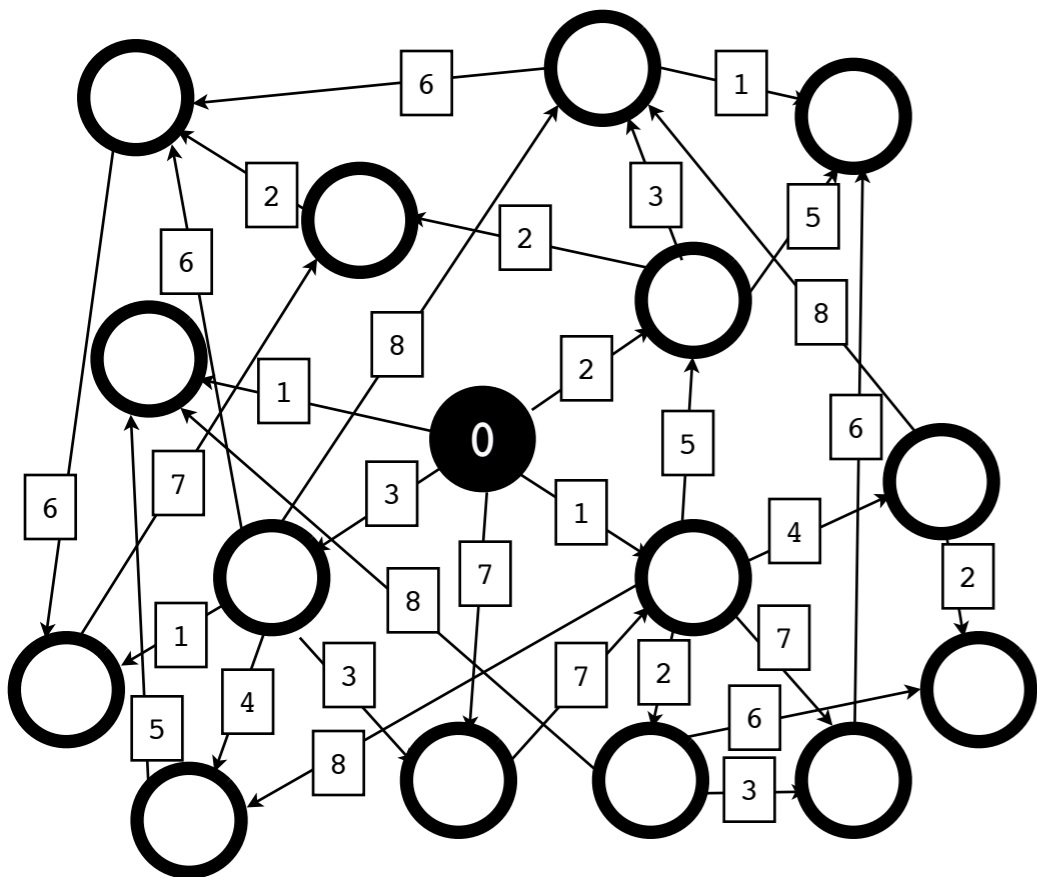
- Discover SP by hand (start from source)



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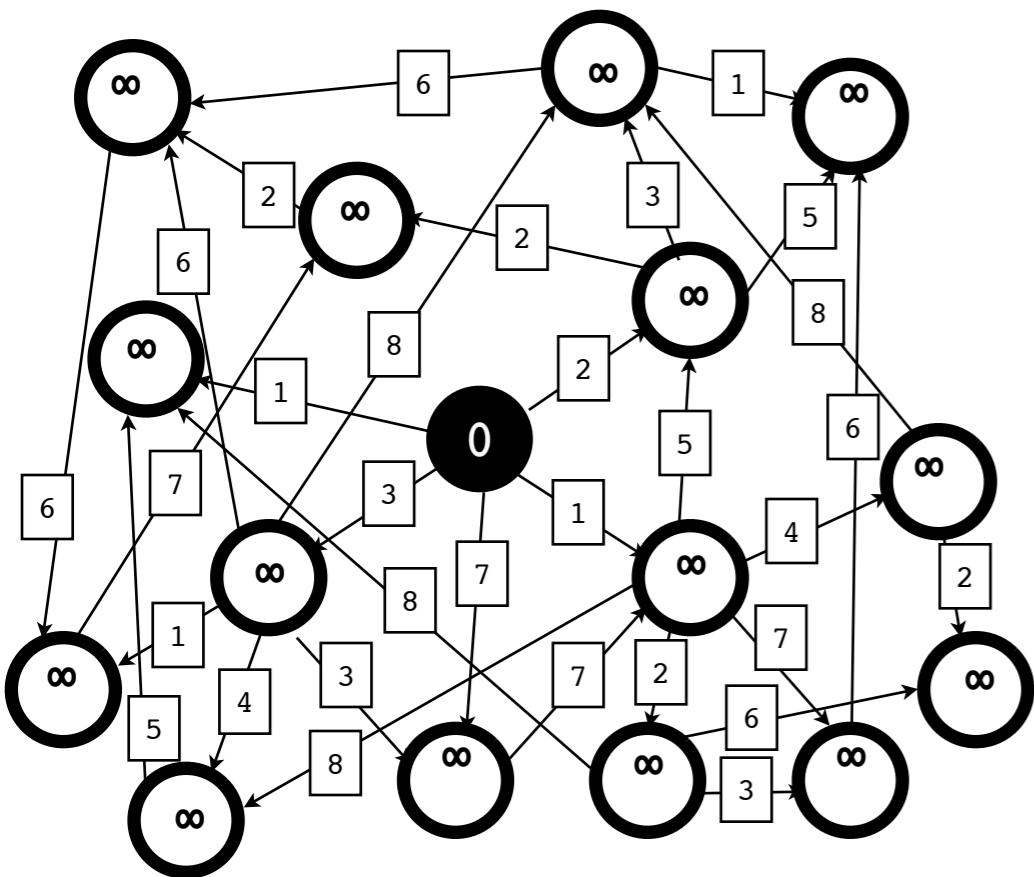
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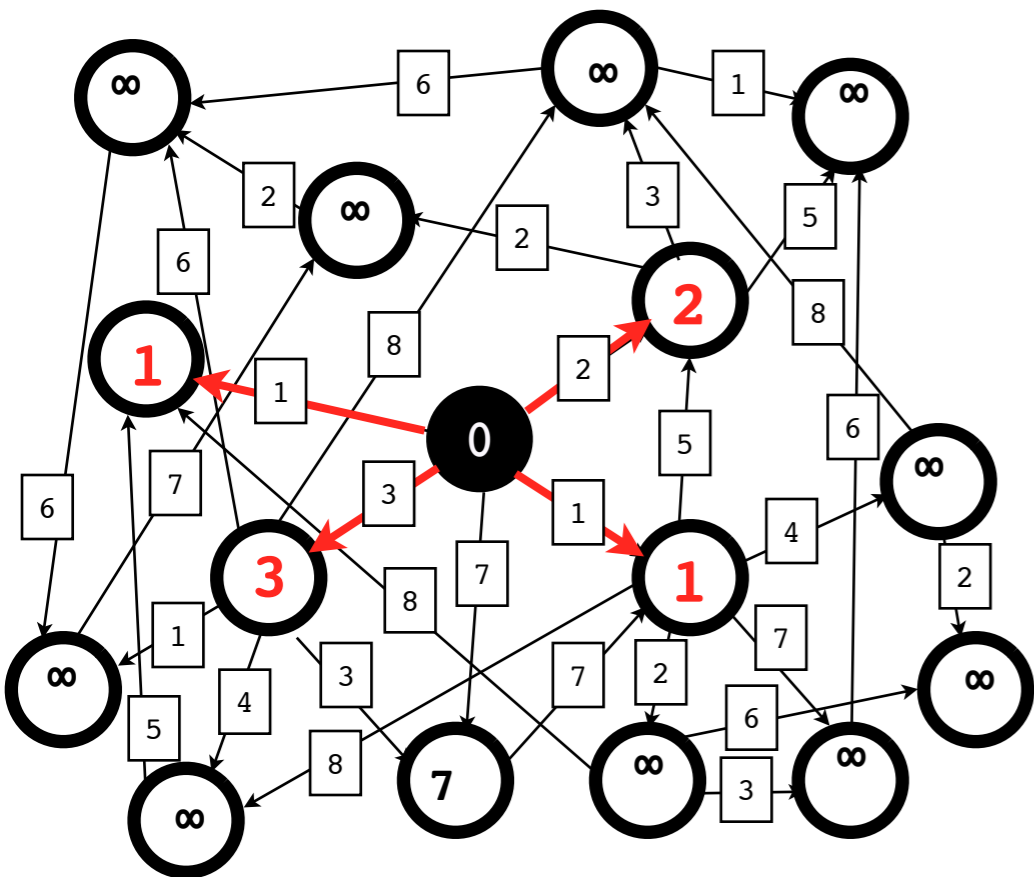
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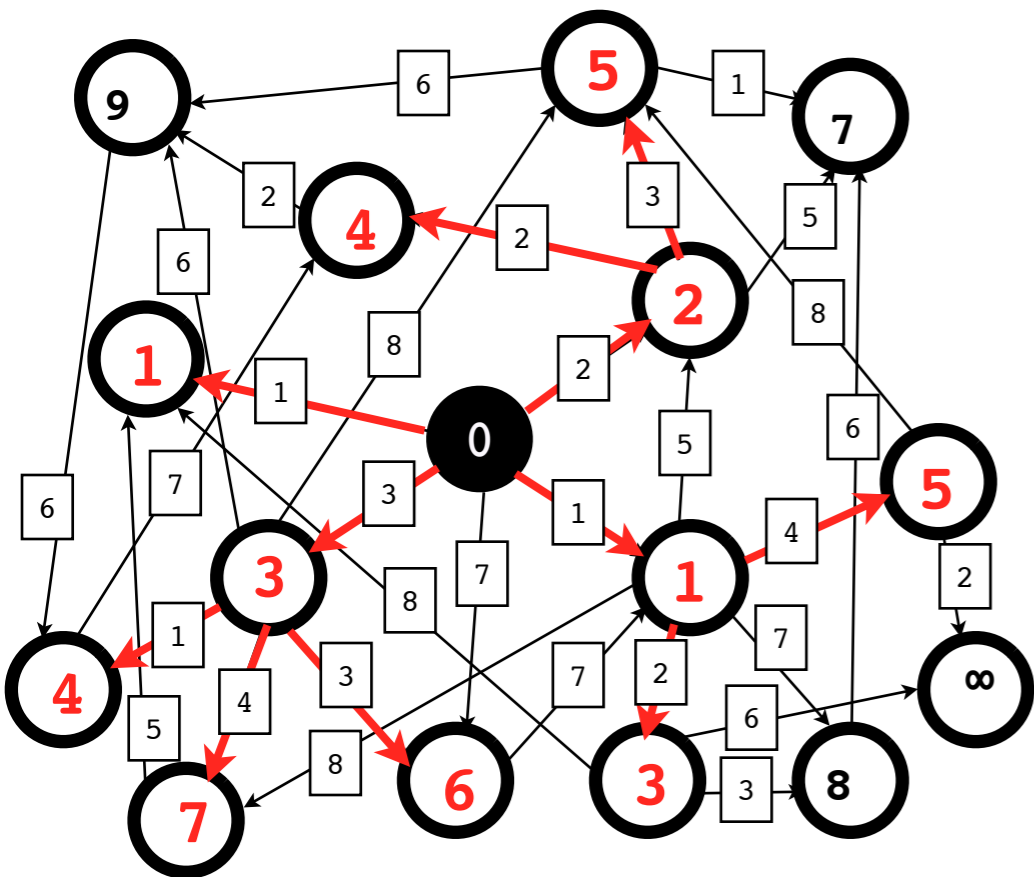
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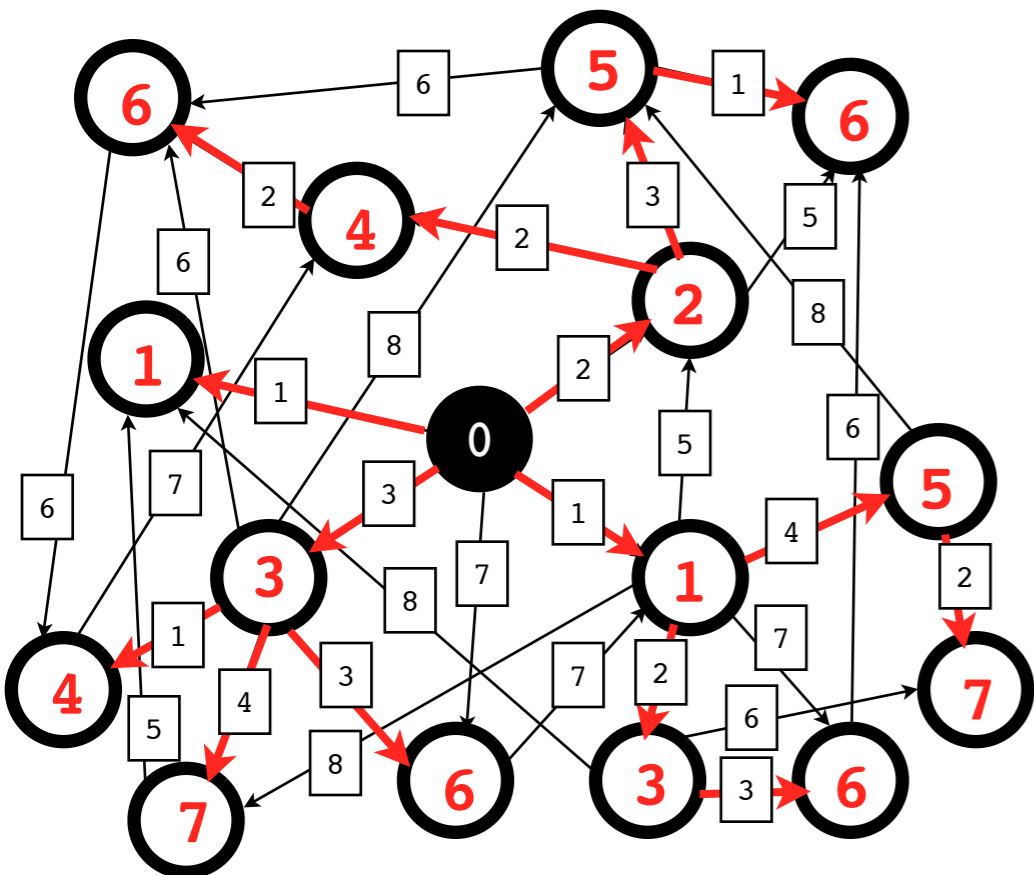
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- ... repeat

- how many times?



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- Essential mechanism (BF proof):
  - $SP(s,v) = [a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4]$
  - Relaxing  $a_1$ , then  $a_2$ , then  $a_3$ , then  $a_4$  – you can do them over any amount of time, but it has to be in the right order
    - $SP(s,v)$  discovered
  - for every  $SP=(\text{edges } a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots)$  there was a relaxation sequence of these edges, in this precise order:  $a_1$  in the first round,  $a_2$  in the second round, etc.
  - overall quite a few more relaxations than necessary, in order to enforce correctness in all possible cases
- Running time:  $|V|-1$  iterations for the outer loop
- inner loop: relax all edges  $O(E)$
- Total  $V * O(E) = O(VE)$

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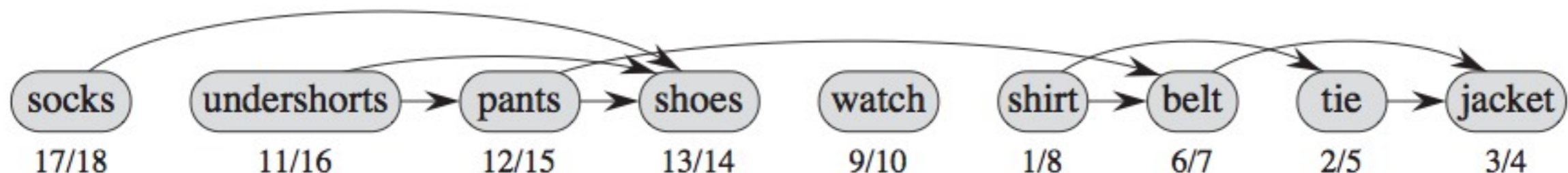
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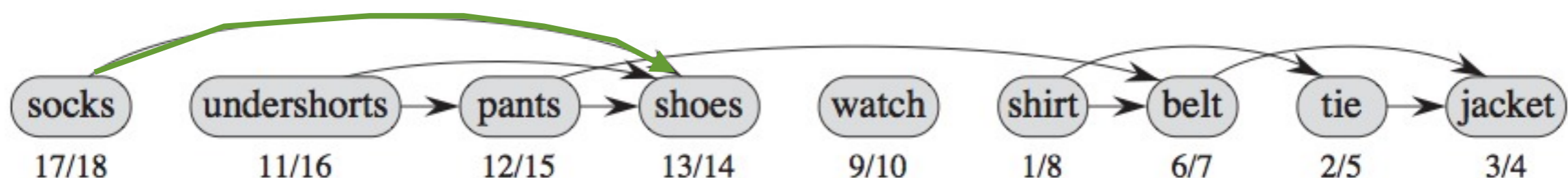
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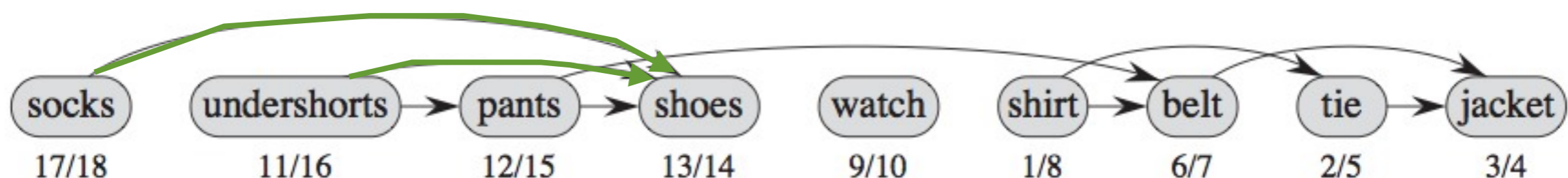
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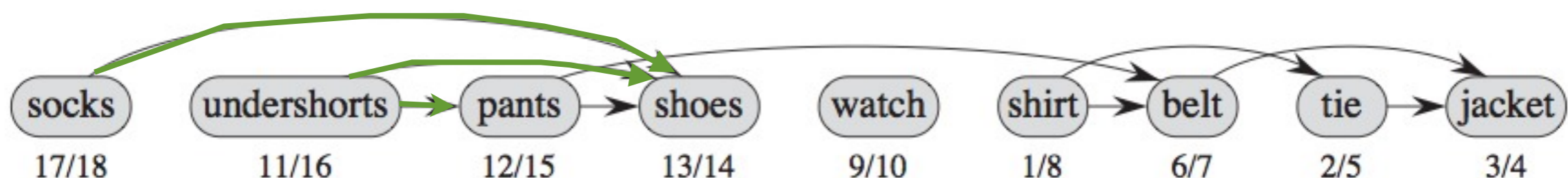
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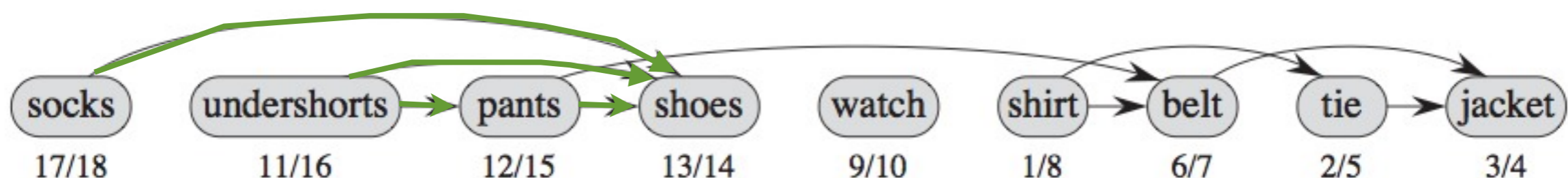
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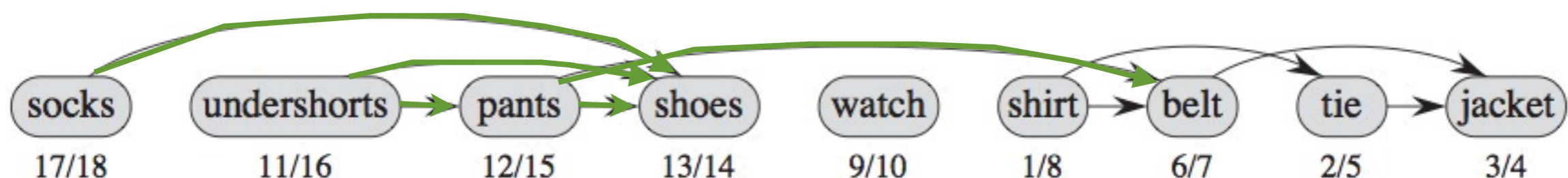
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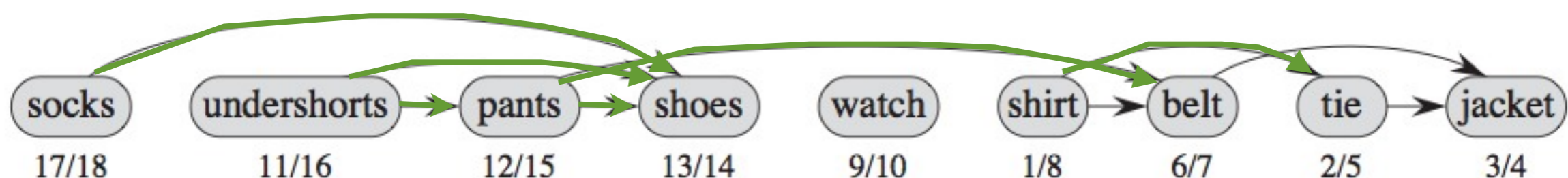
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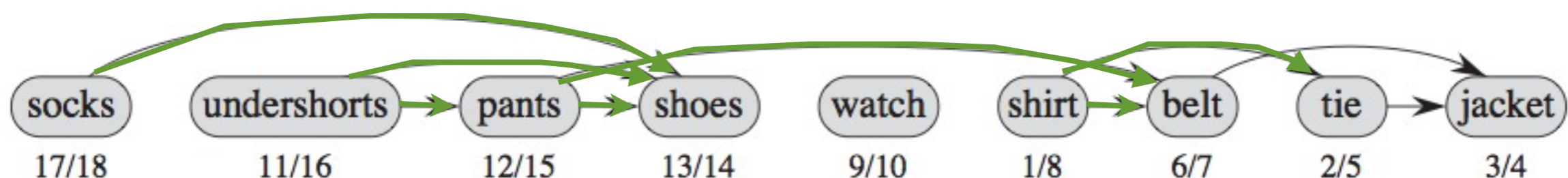
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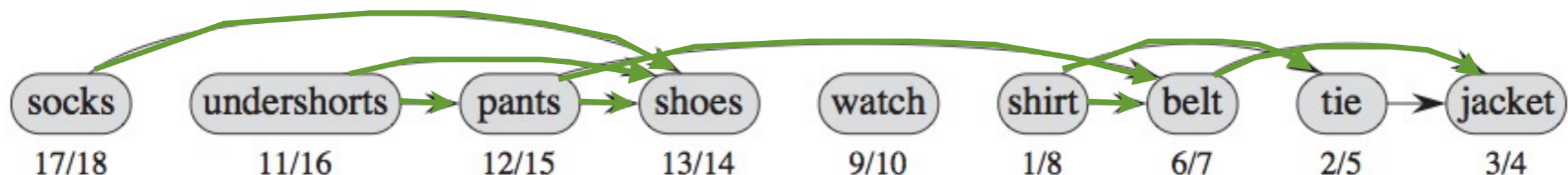
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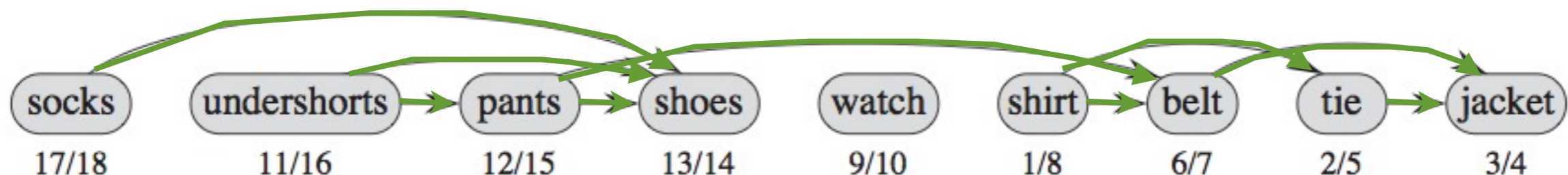
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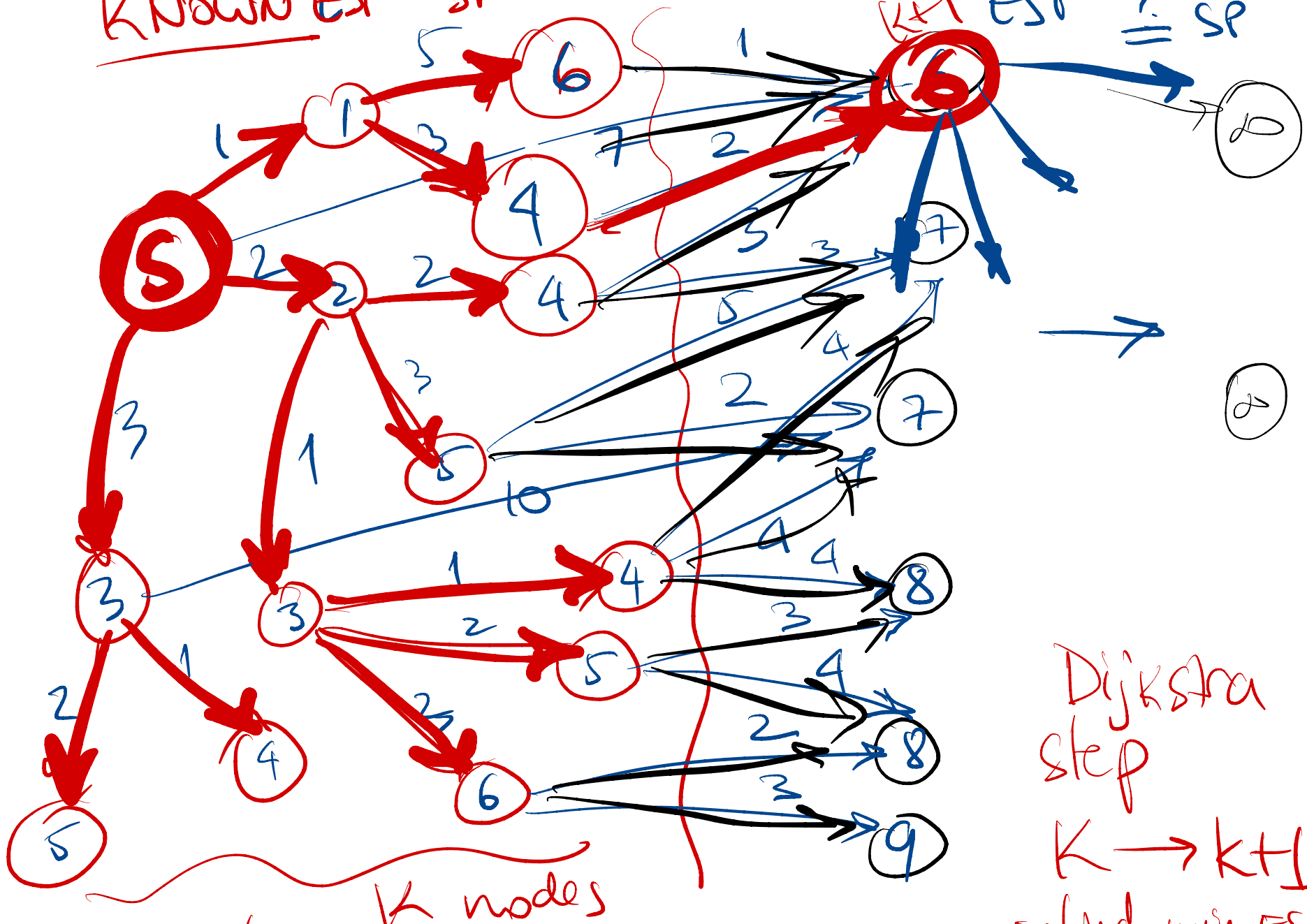
# Dijkstra SSSP algorithm

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- No negative weight edges allowed
- instead of relaxing all edges (like Bellman Ford), keep track of a current "closest" vertex to the SP tree
  - "closest" = minimum  $ESP(s,v)$  of nodes not already part of SP tree
  - add the current-closest to the partial SP tree,  $v$
  - relax the outgoing edges of  $v$  (all edges  $v \rightarrow x$ )
- repeat
- similar to Prim's algorithm (conceptually)

partially a tree  
that  $SP(s,u)$   
 $u \in tree$

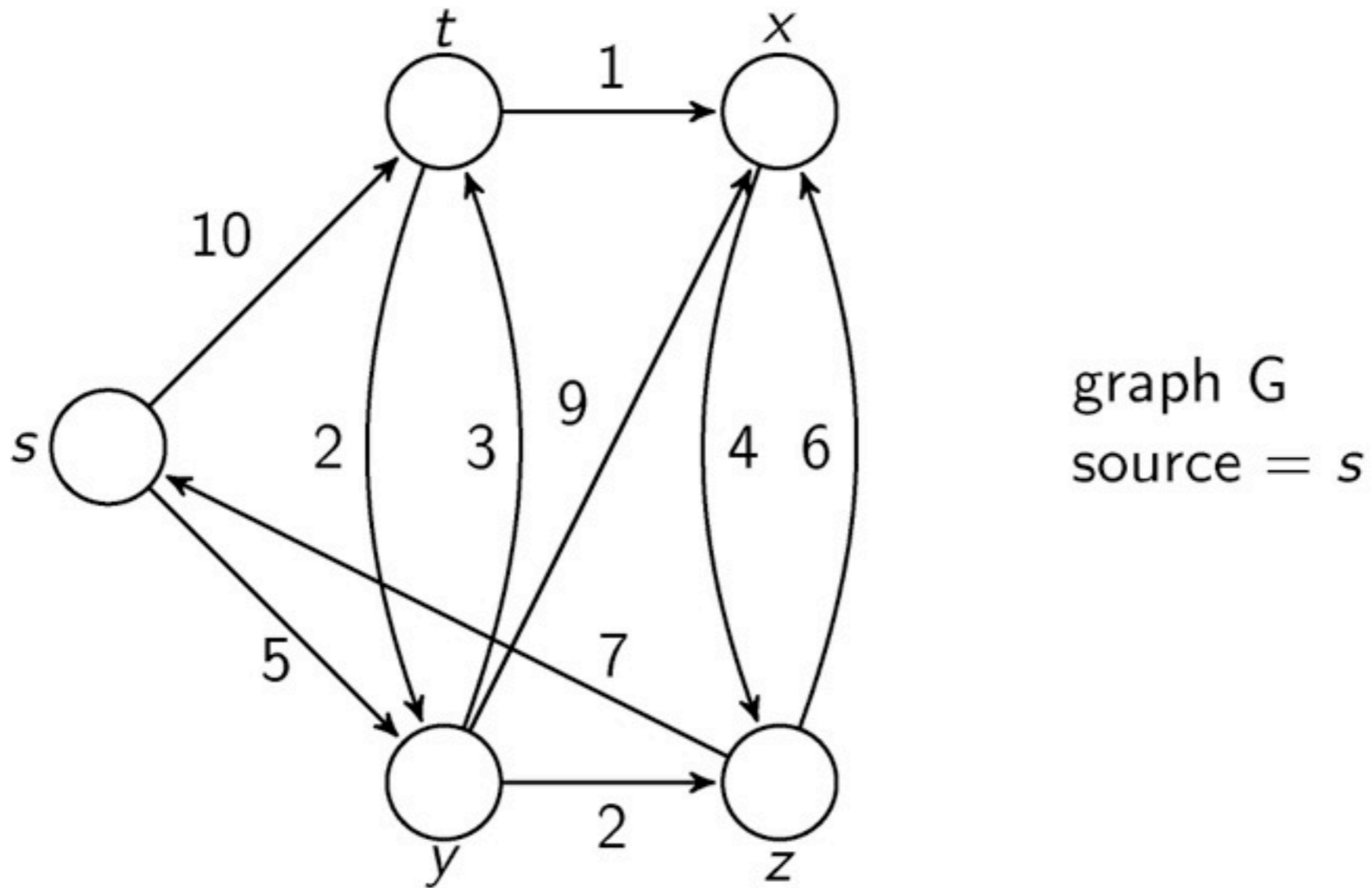
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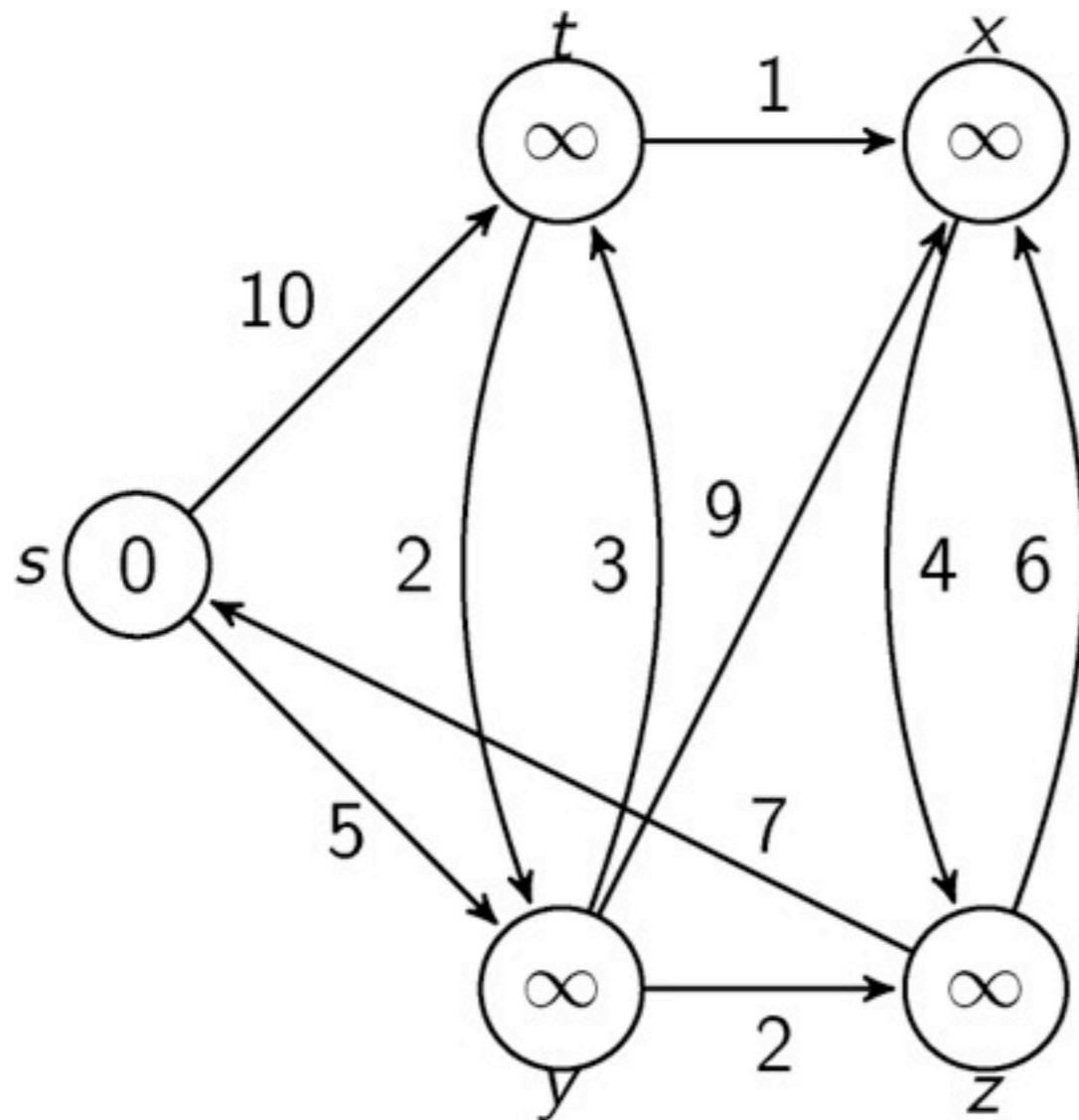
final / true SP  
done: all relaxations from red nodes

Dijkstra step

- $K \rightarrow K+1$
- find min ESP
- add to Dij-tree with proper edge
- relax edges from there



We want to find the shortest path from s to every node

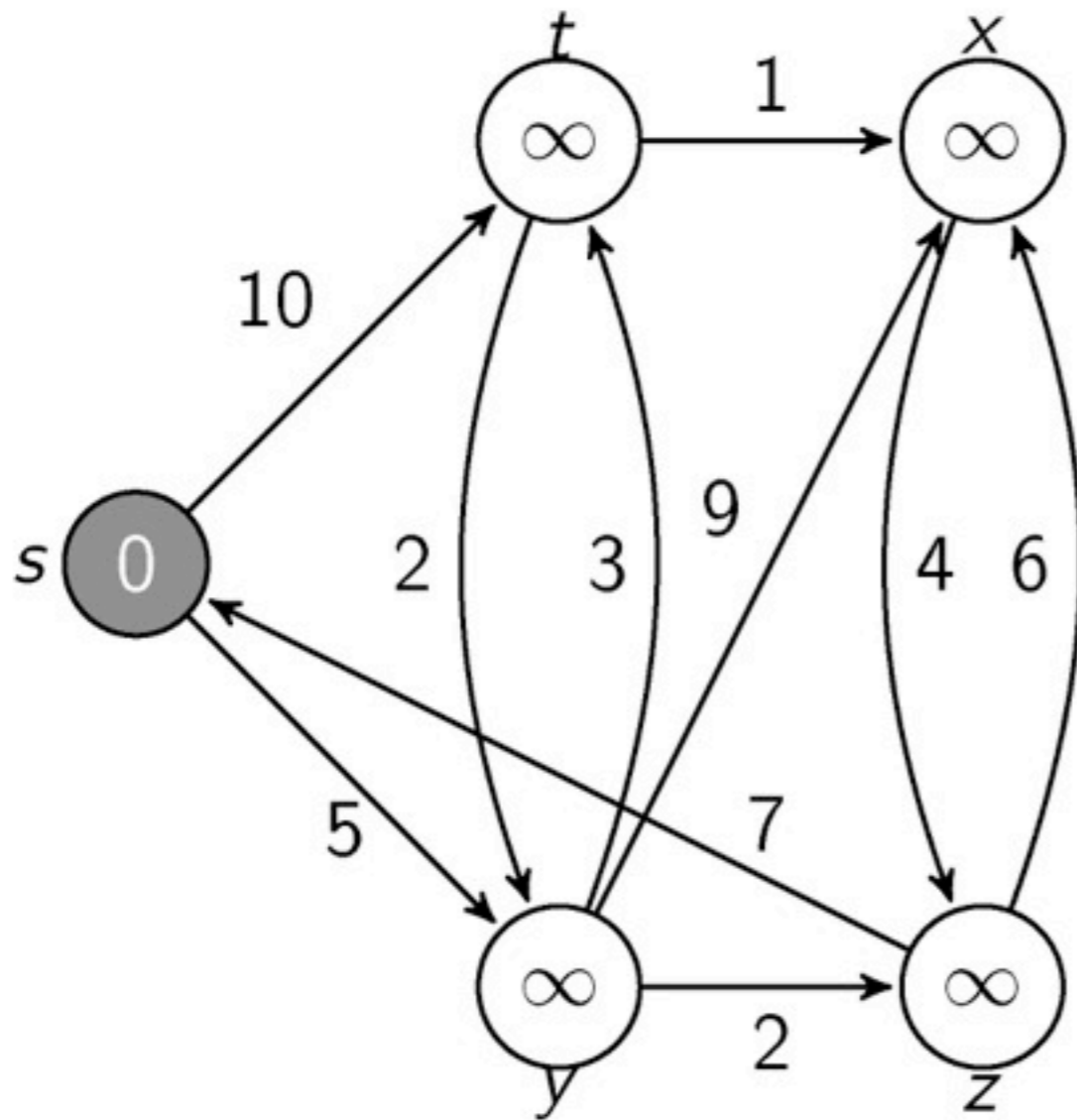


INITIALIZE -SINGLE  
-SOURCE( $G,s$ )

$S = \phi$

$Q = G.V$

After initialization, we have  $v.\pi = NIL$  for all  $v \in V$ ,  $s.d = 0$ , and  $v.d = \infty$  for  $v \in V - \{s\}$

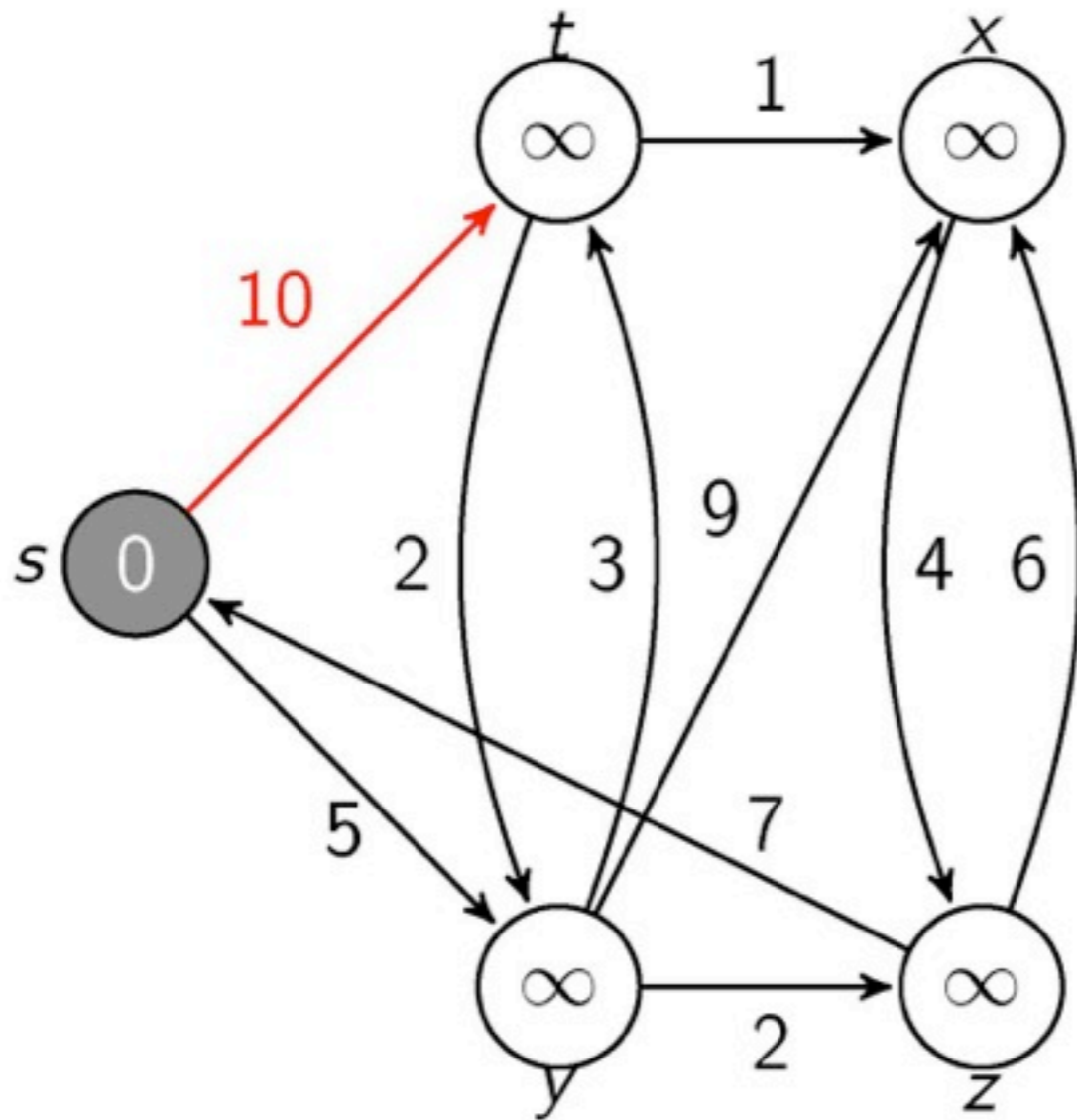


$s = \text{EXTRACT-MIN}(Q)$

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$Q = \{t, x, y, z\}$

We are at node  $s$

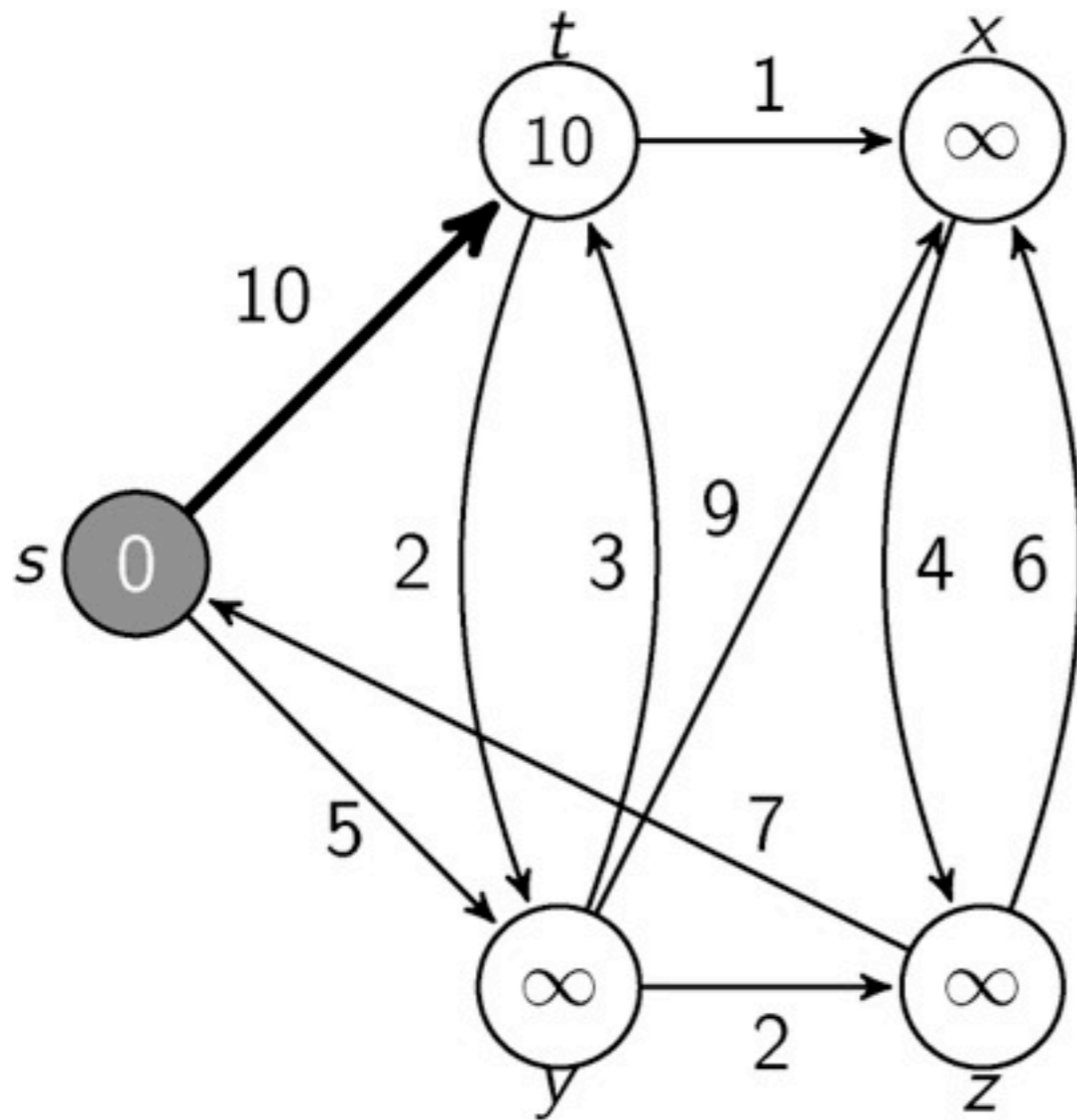


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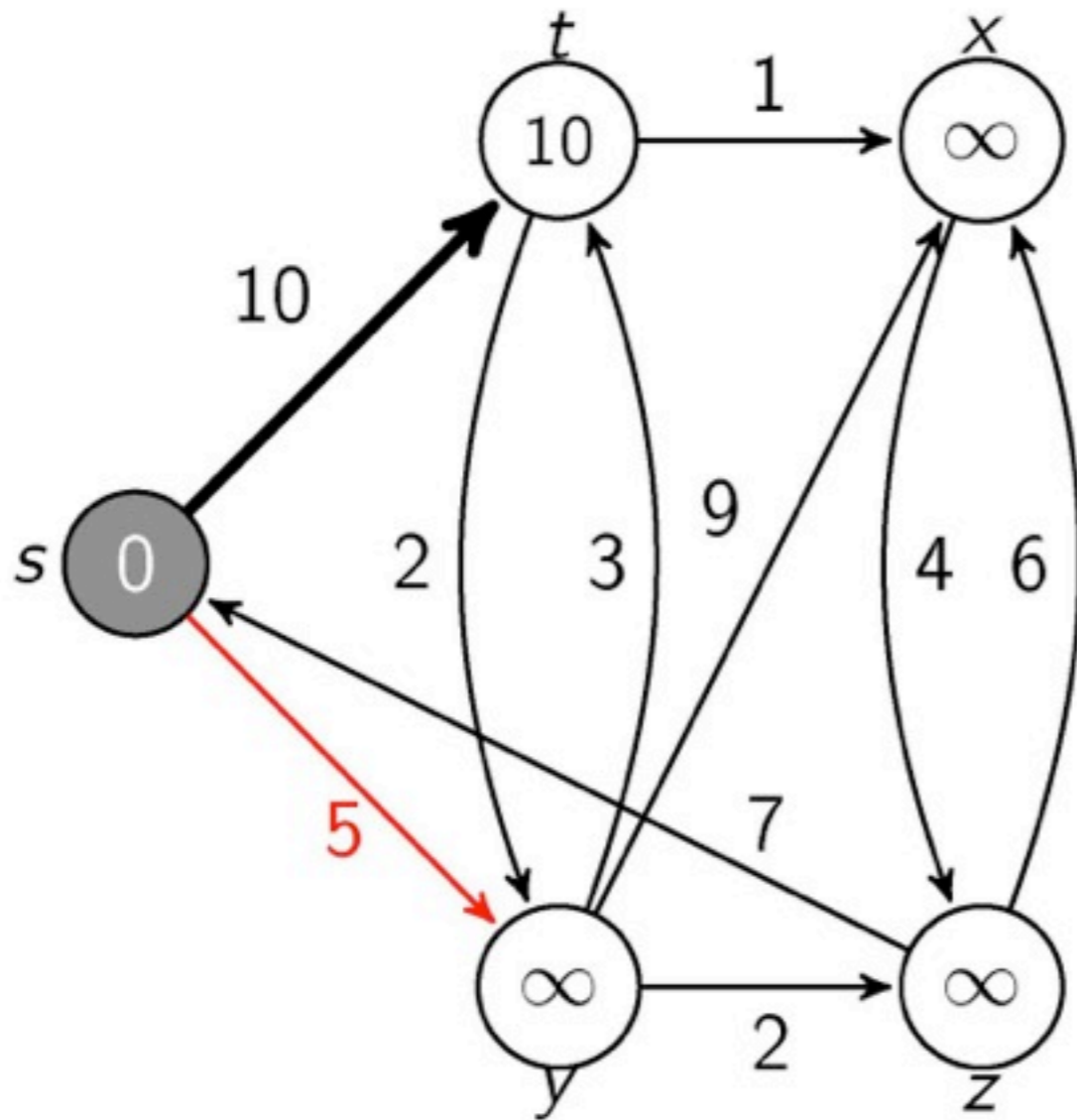
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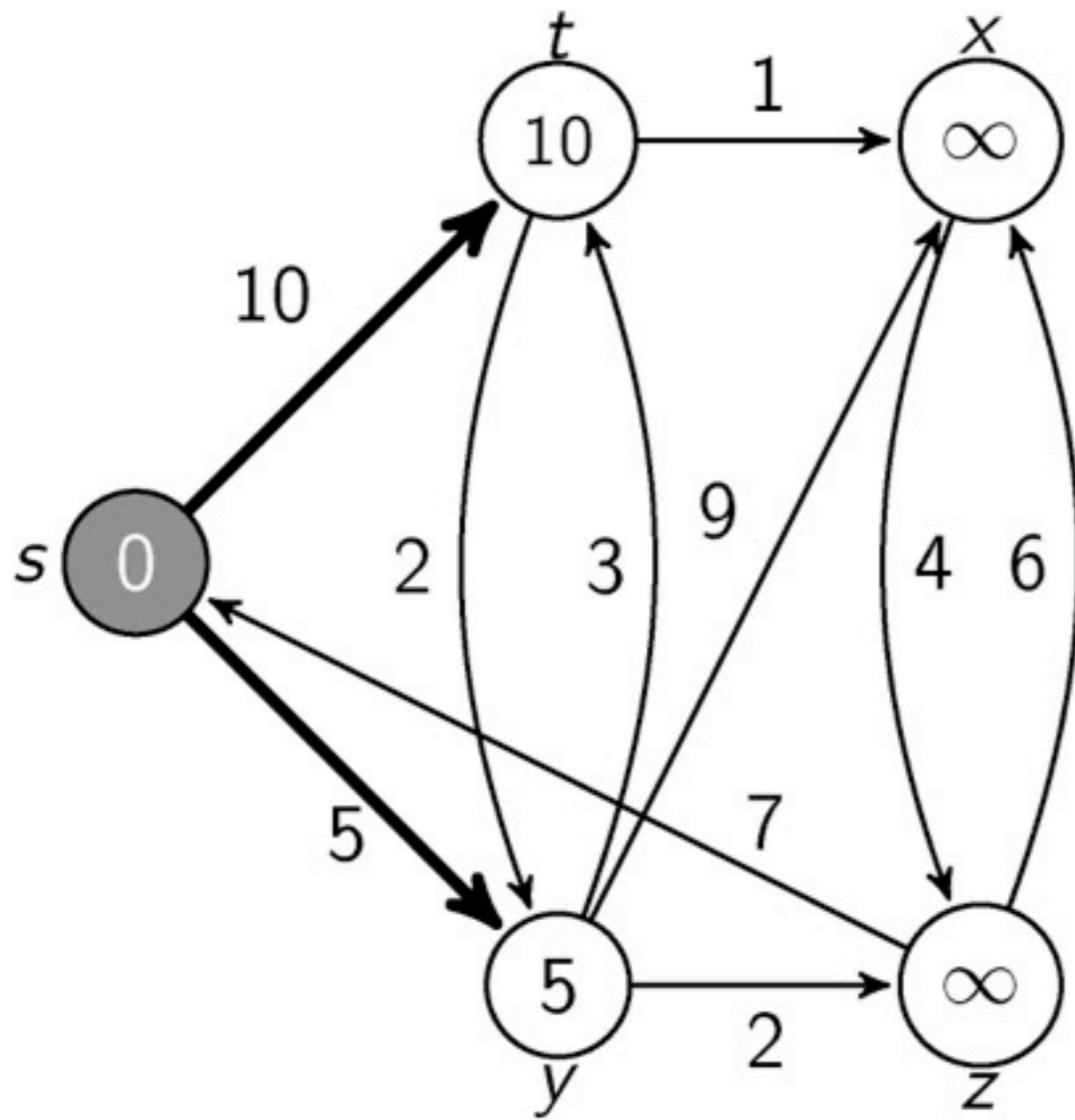
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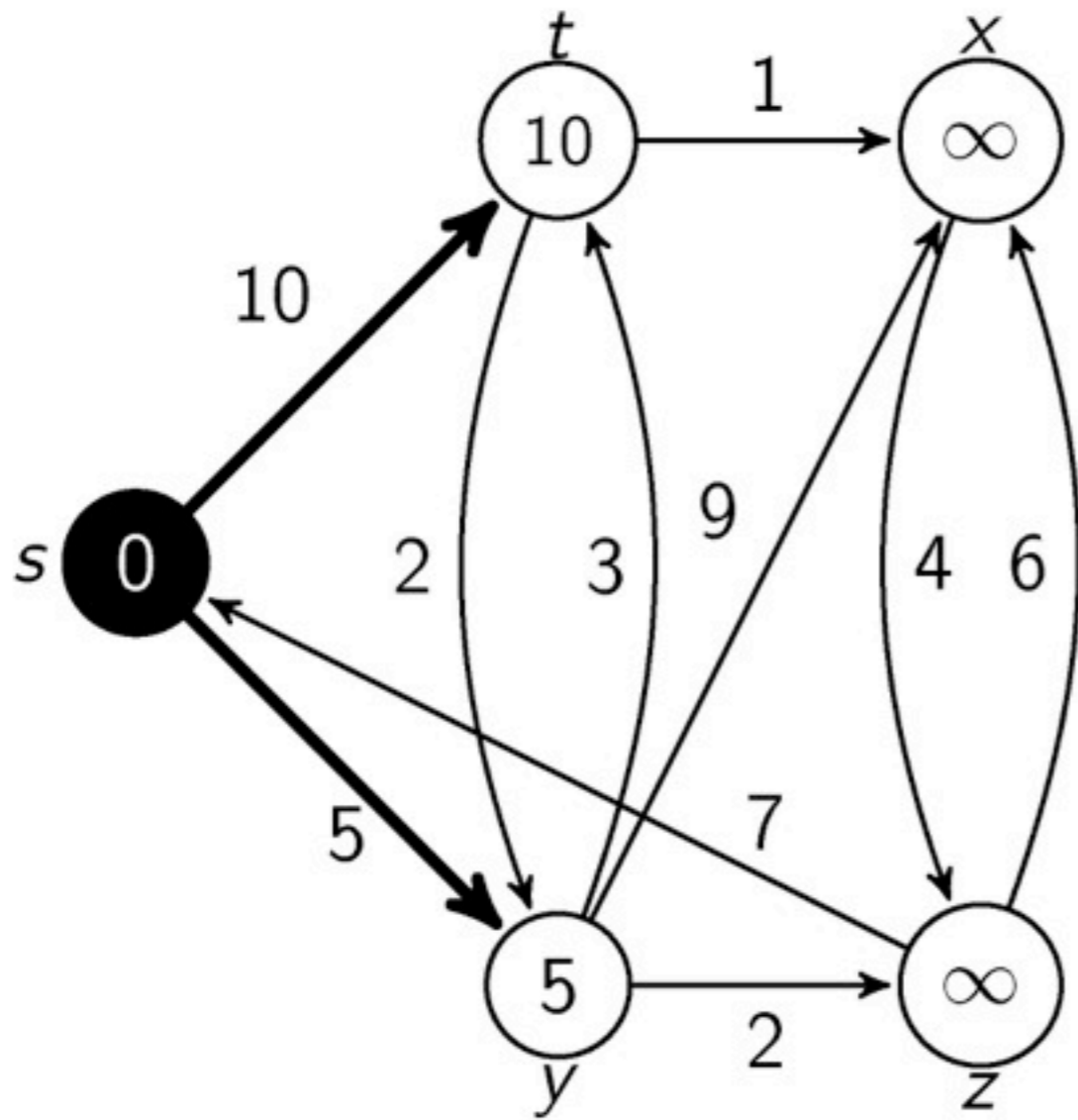
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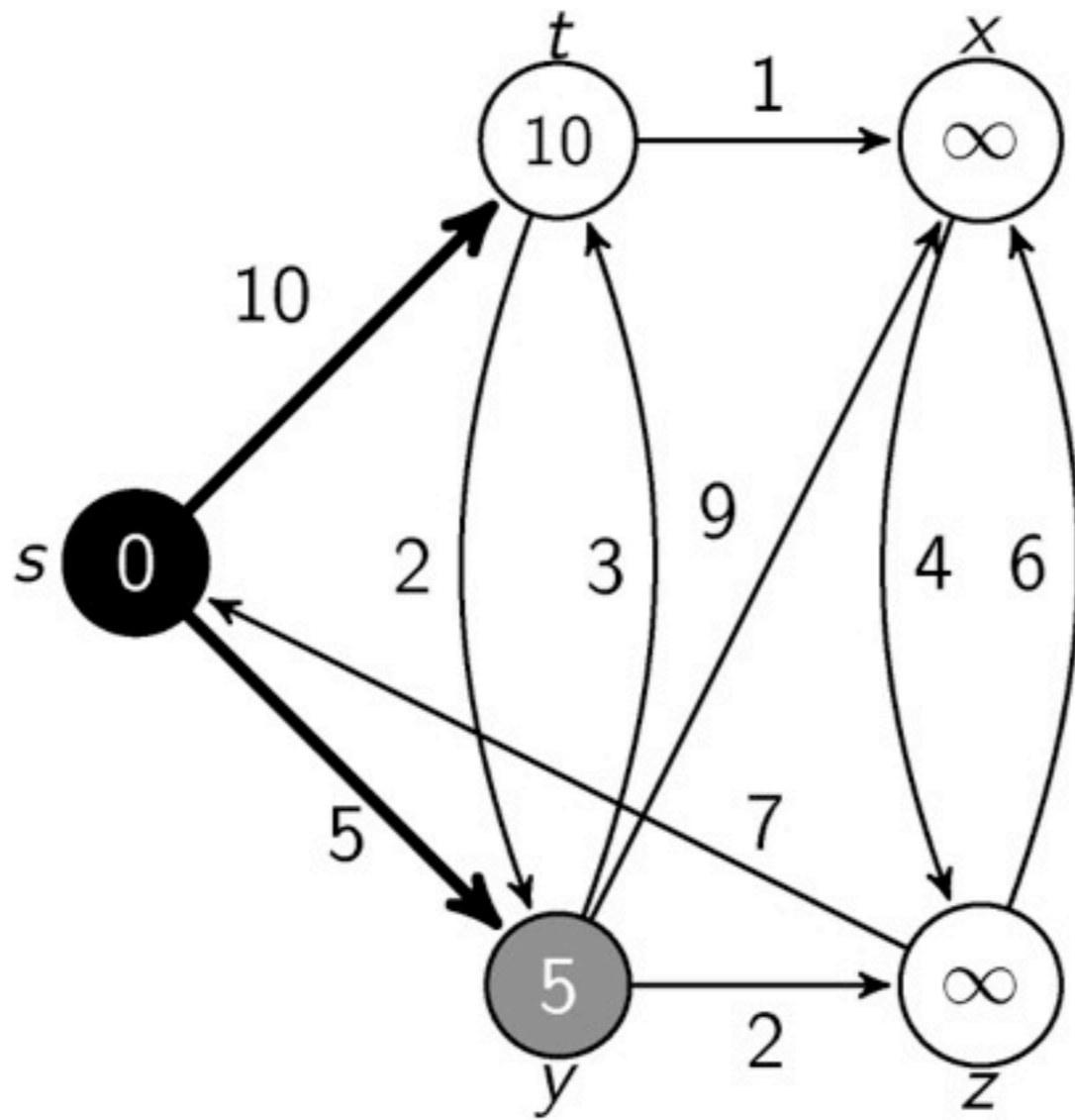
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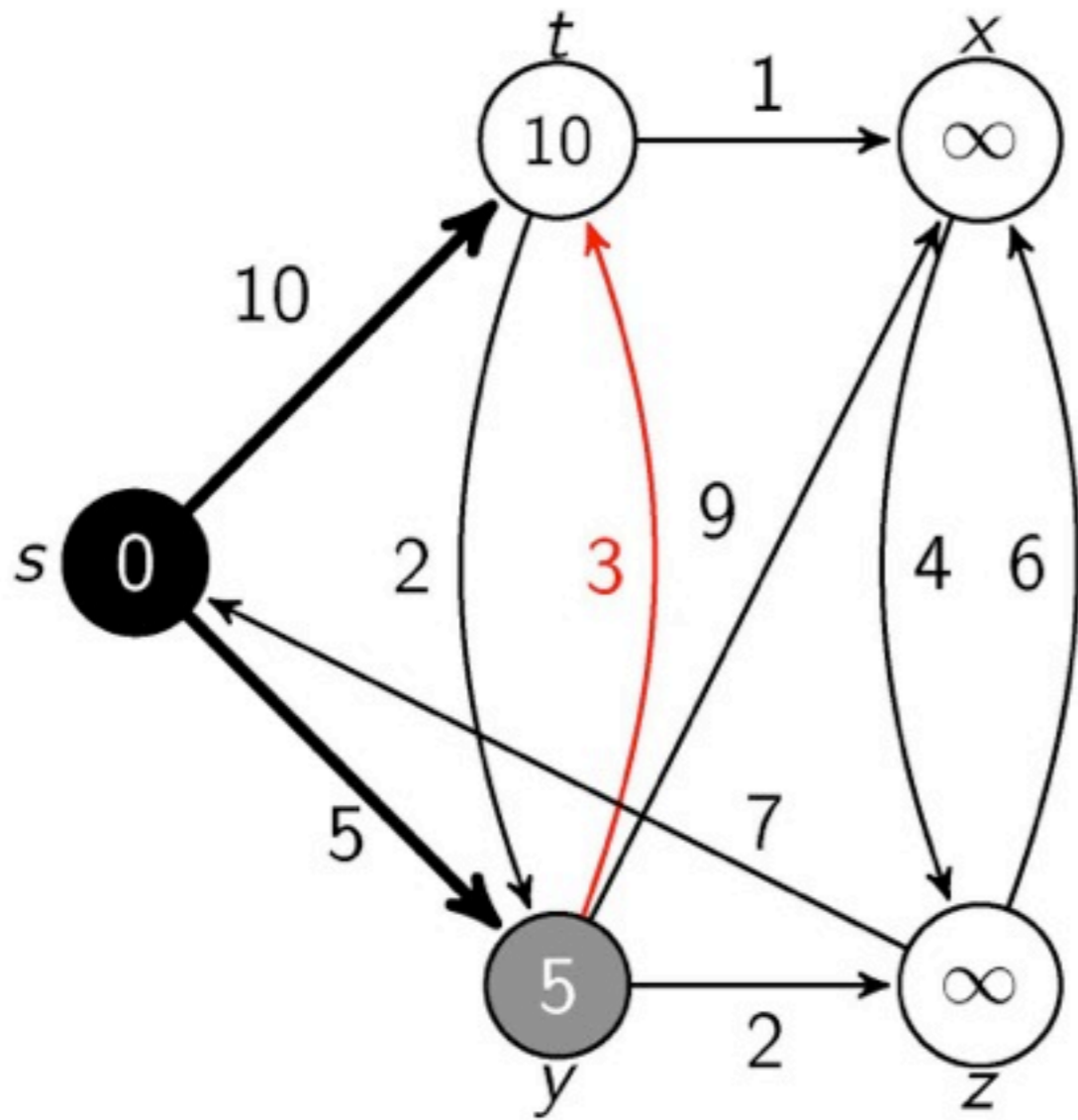
$$Q = \{t, x, y, z\}$$

All edges leaving  $s$  have been tested



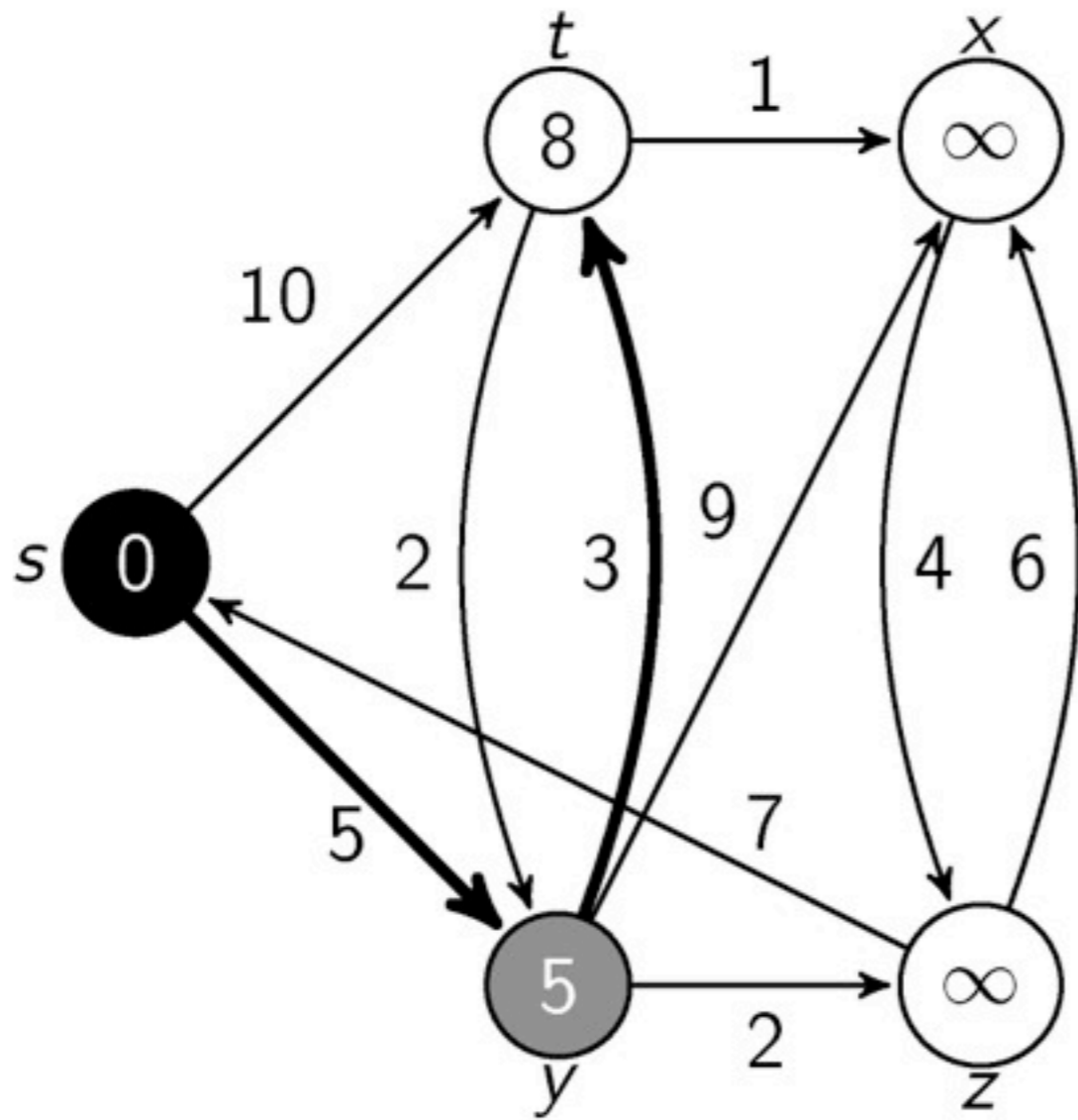
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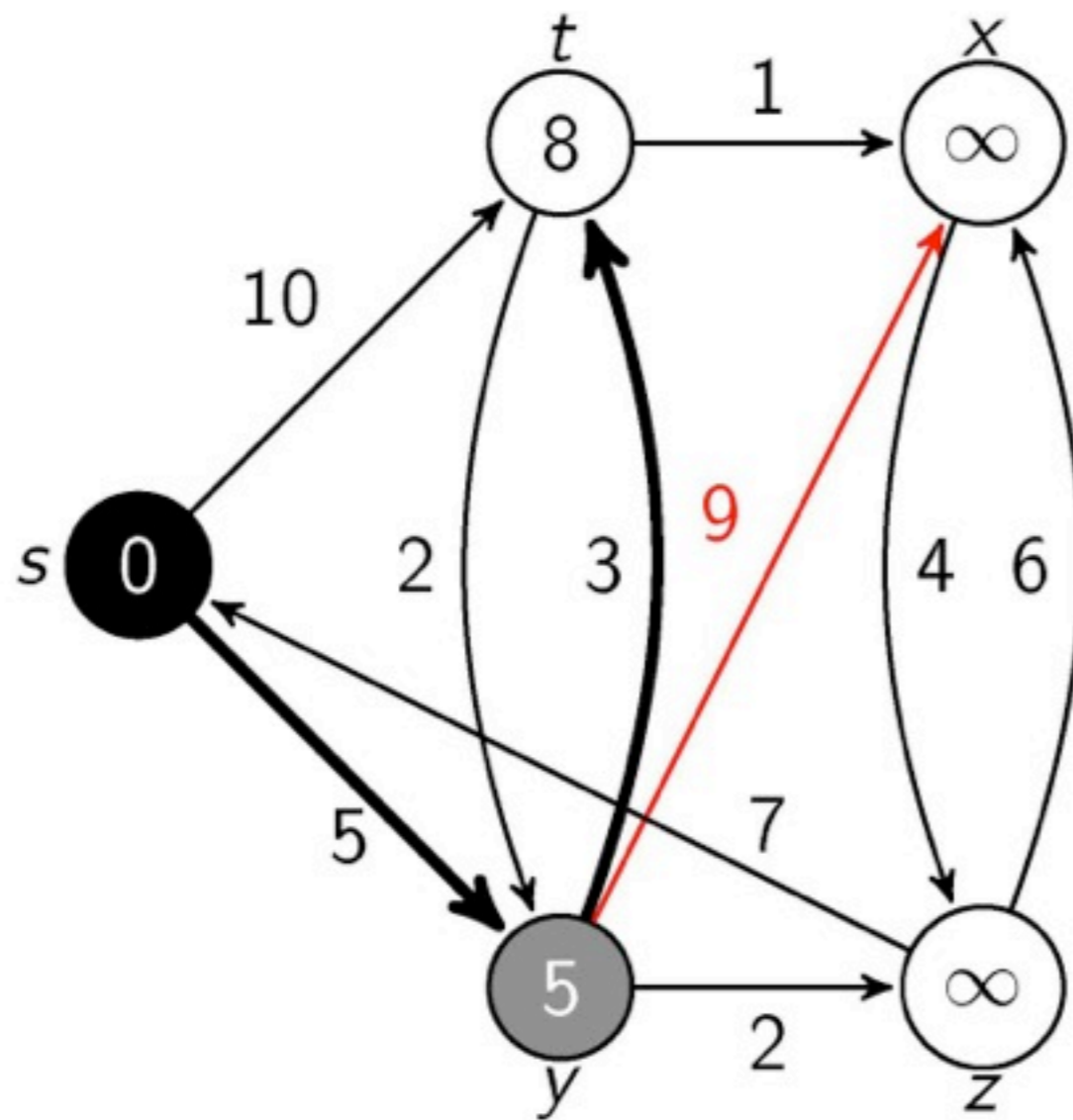
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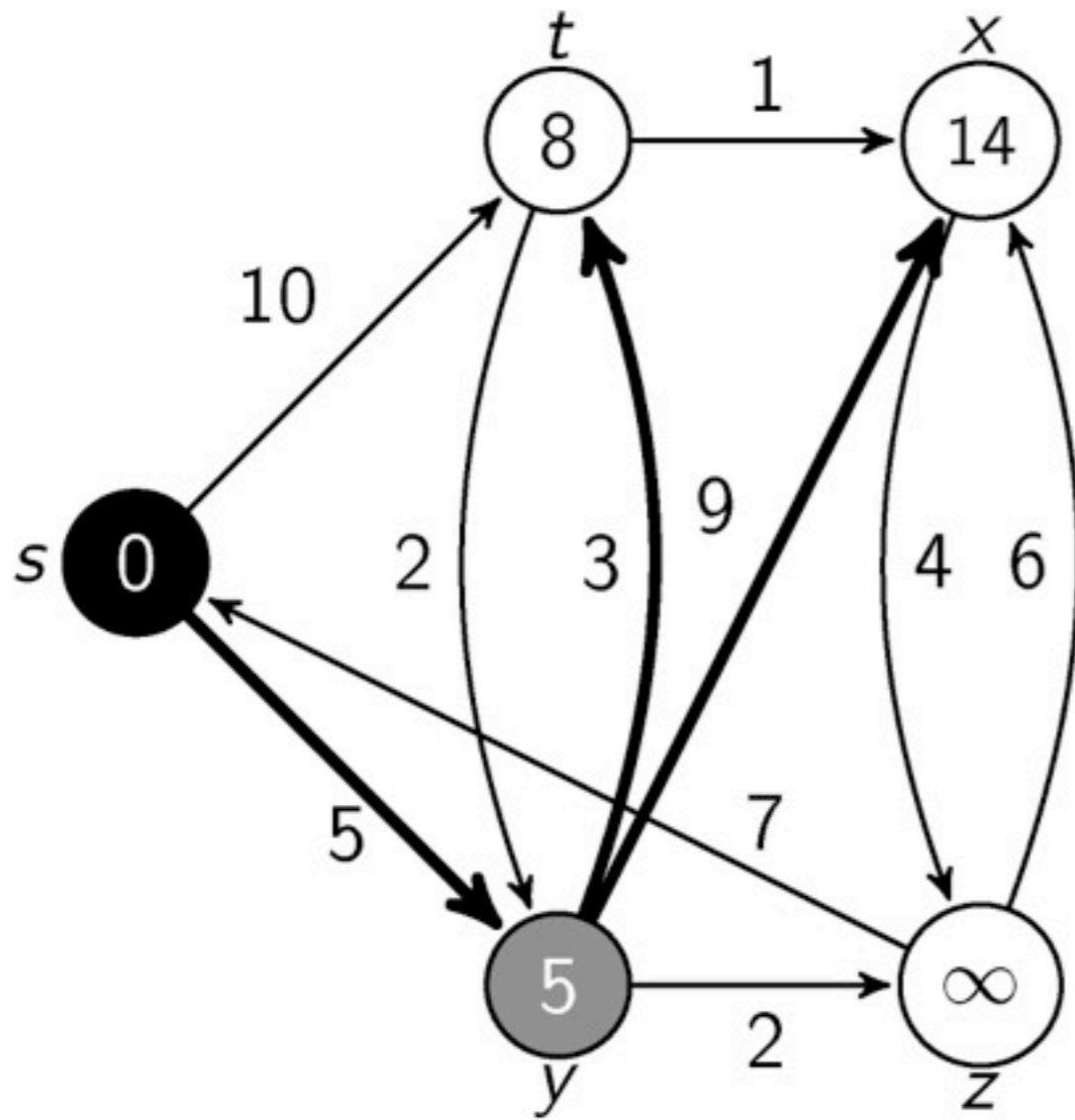
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Update  $t.d = 8$  and  $t.\pi = y$



RELAX( $y, x, w$ )  
 $S = \{s, y\}$   
 $Q = \{t, x, z\}$

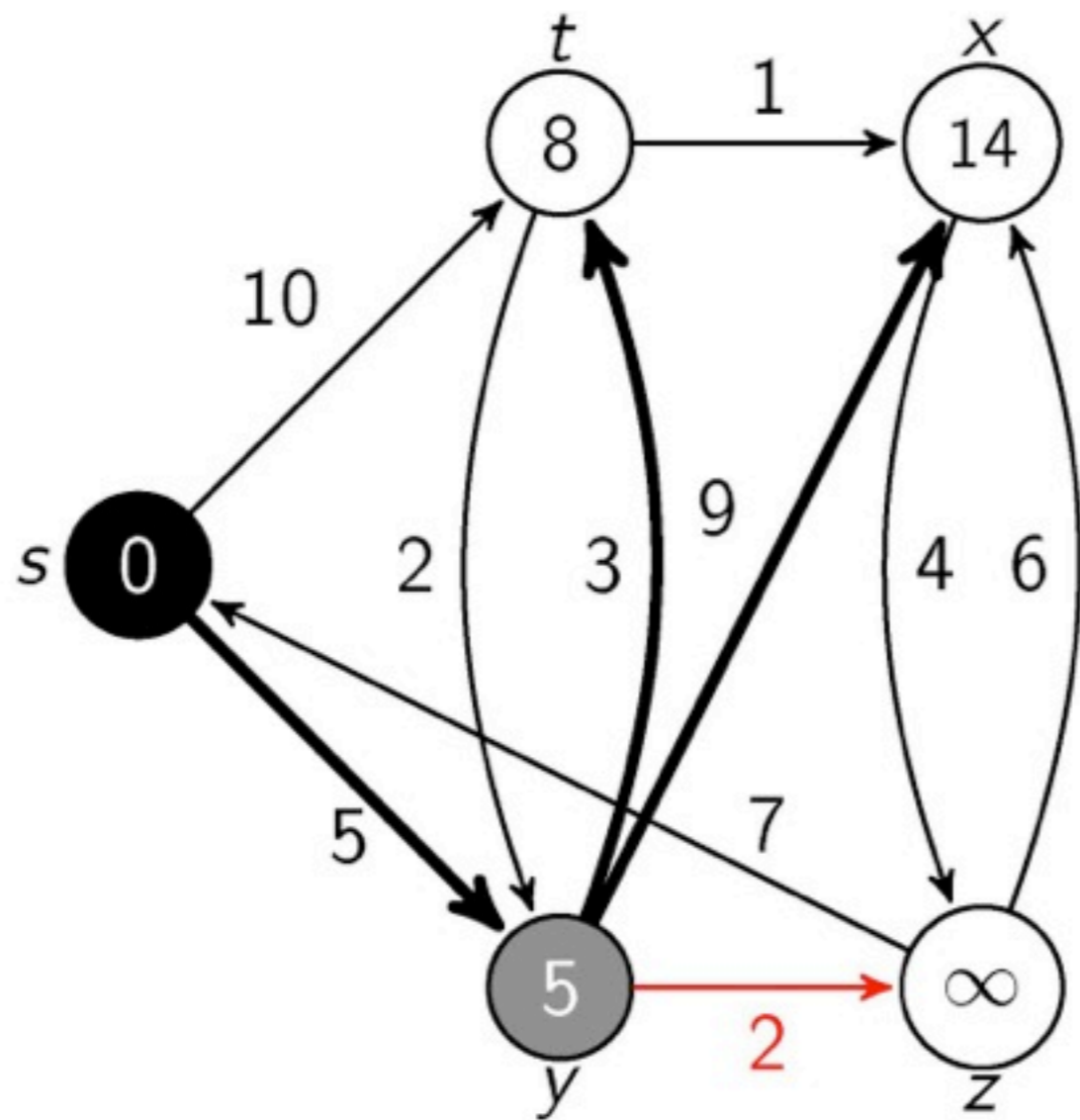
Test whether we can improve the shortest path to x found so far by going through y



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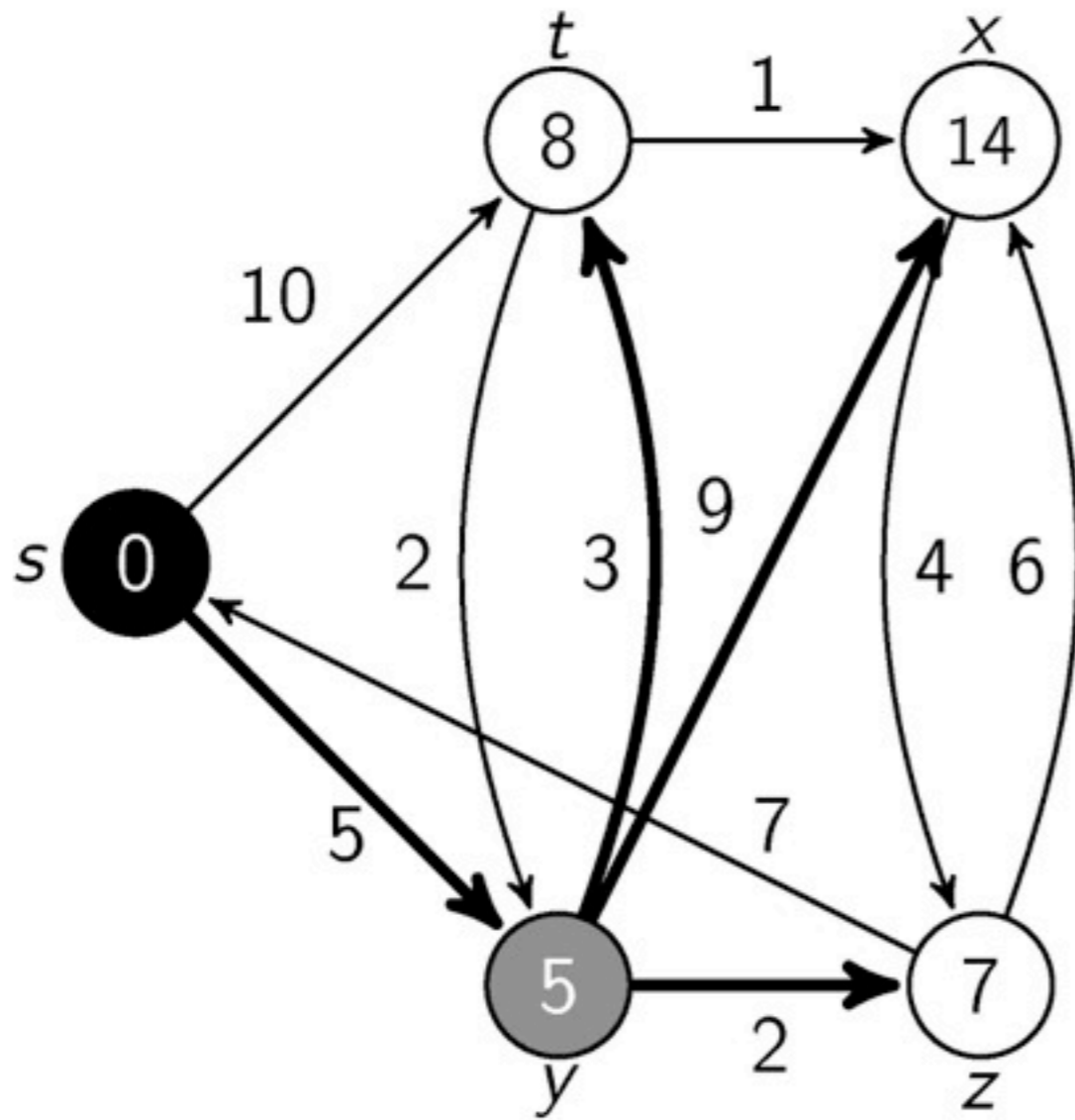
Update  $x.d = 14$  and  $x.\pi = y$





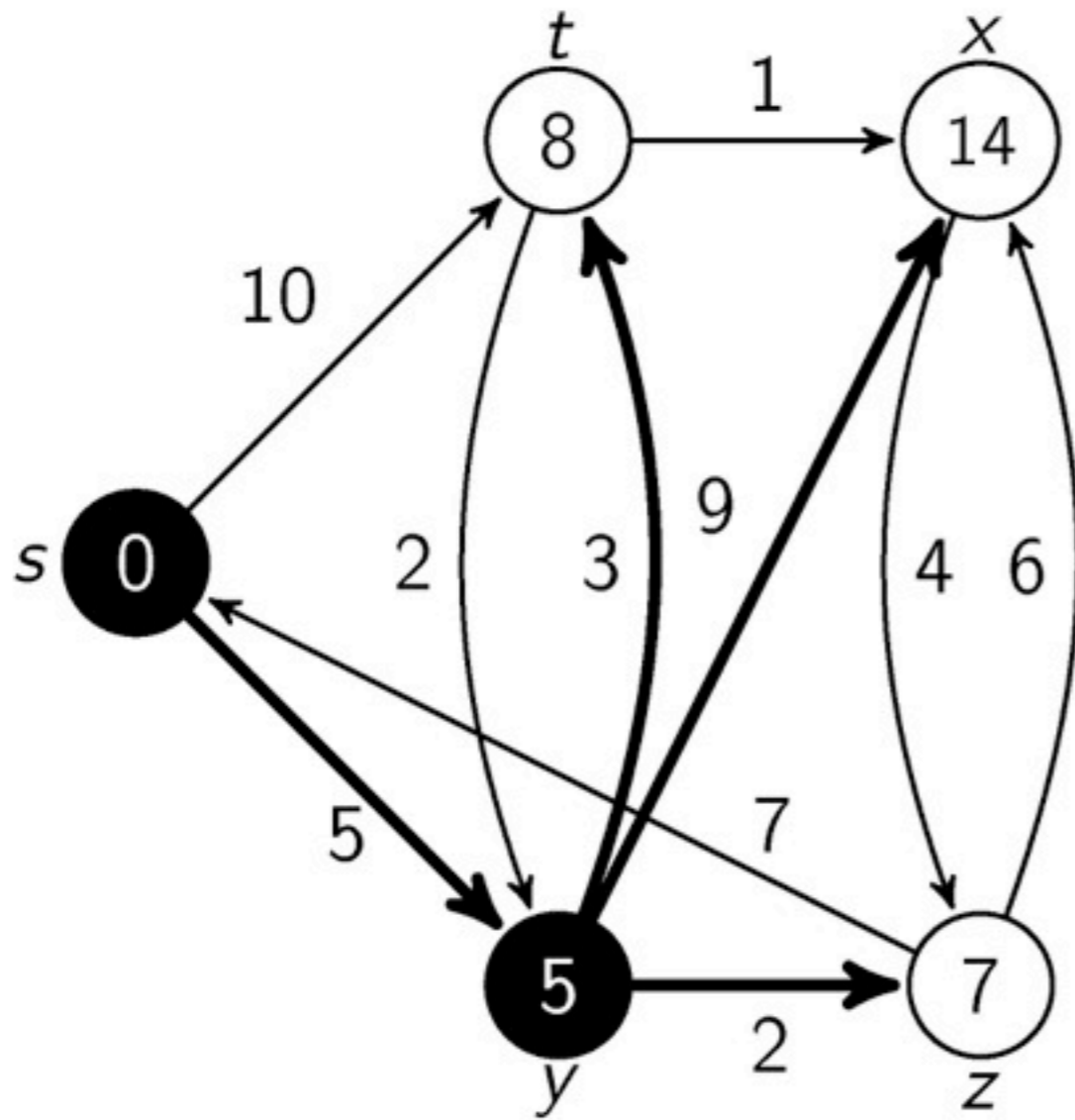
RELAX( $y, z, w$ )  
 $S = \{s, y\}$   
 $Q = \{t, x, z\}$

Test whether we can improve the shortest path to z found so far by going through y



RELAX( $y, z, w$ )  
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 $Q = \{t, x, z\}$

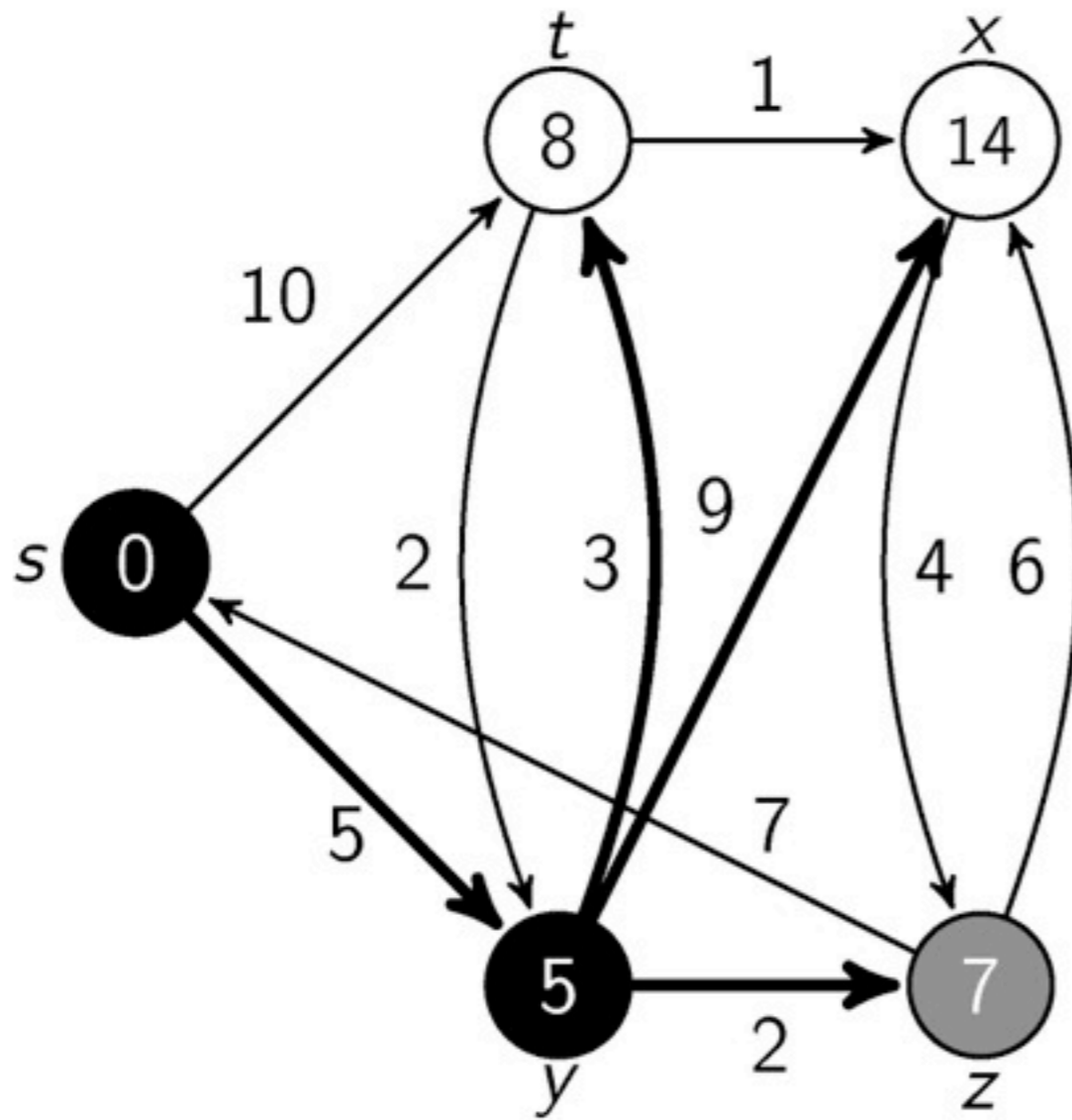
Update  $z.d = 7$  and  $z.\pi = y$



$$S = \{s, y\}$$

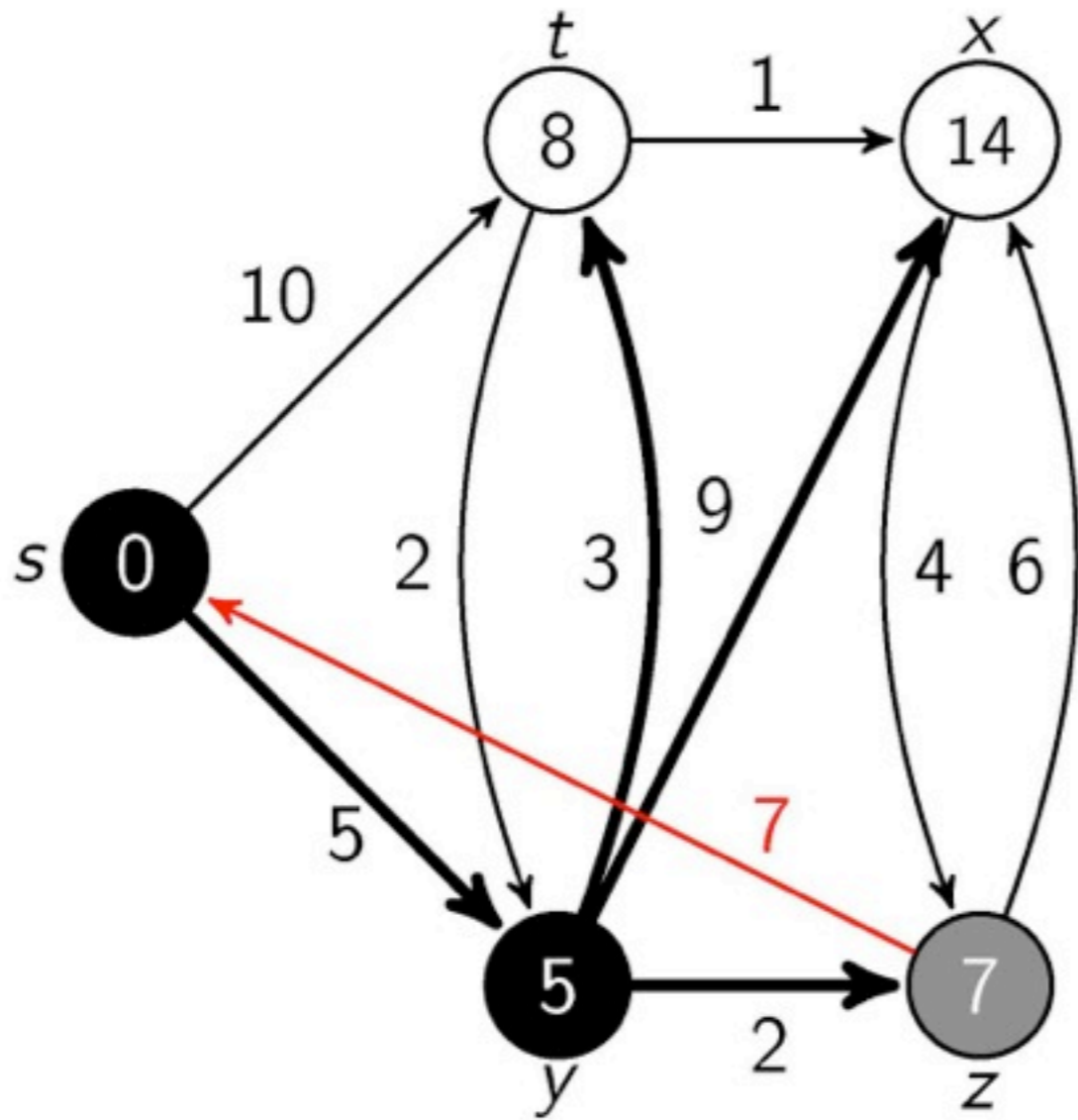
$$Q = \{t, x, z\}$$

All edges leaving y have been tested



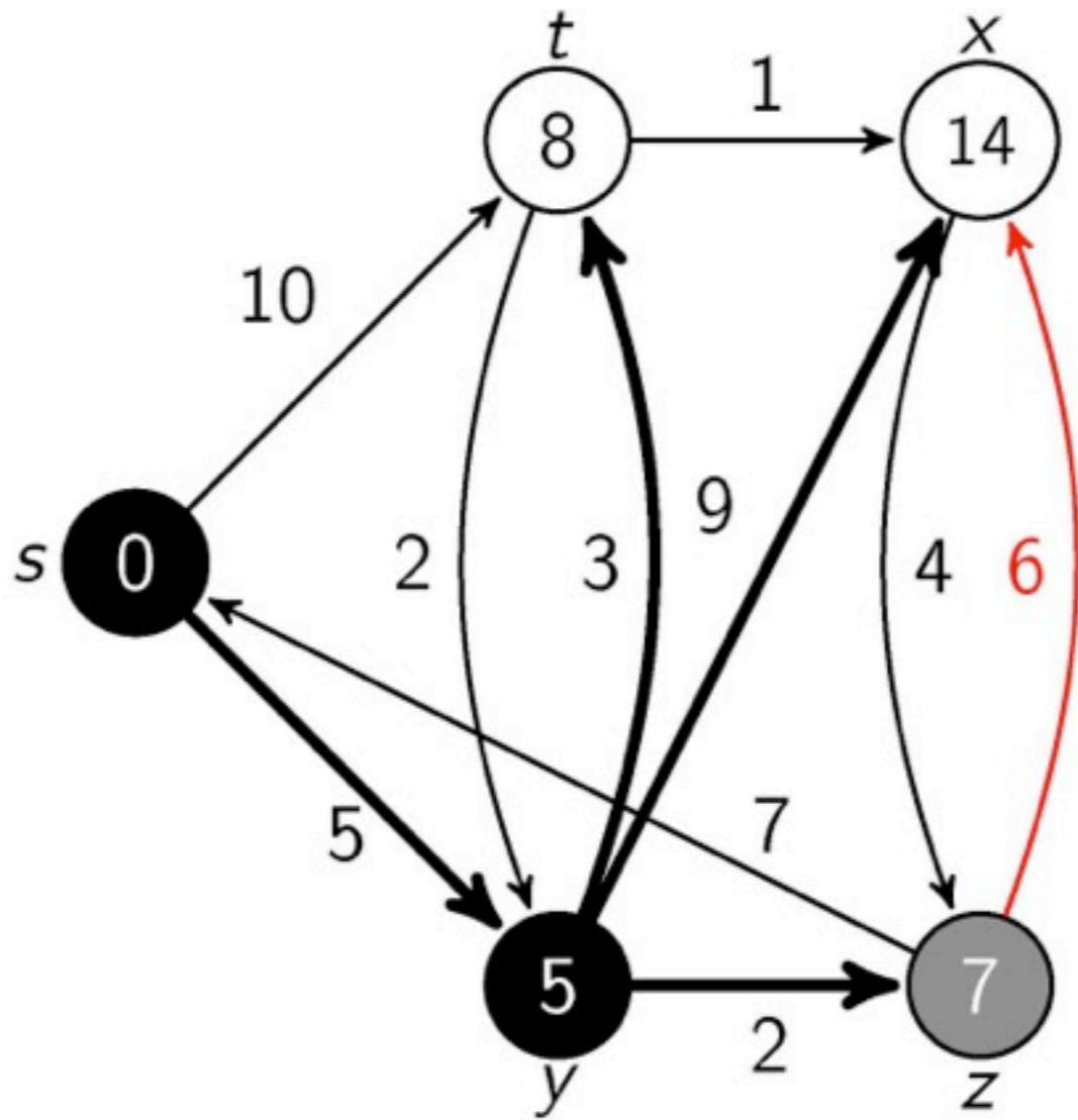
$z = \text{EXTRACT-MIN}(Q)$   
 $S = \{s, y, z\}$   
 $Q = \{t, x\}$

We are at node  $z$



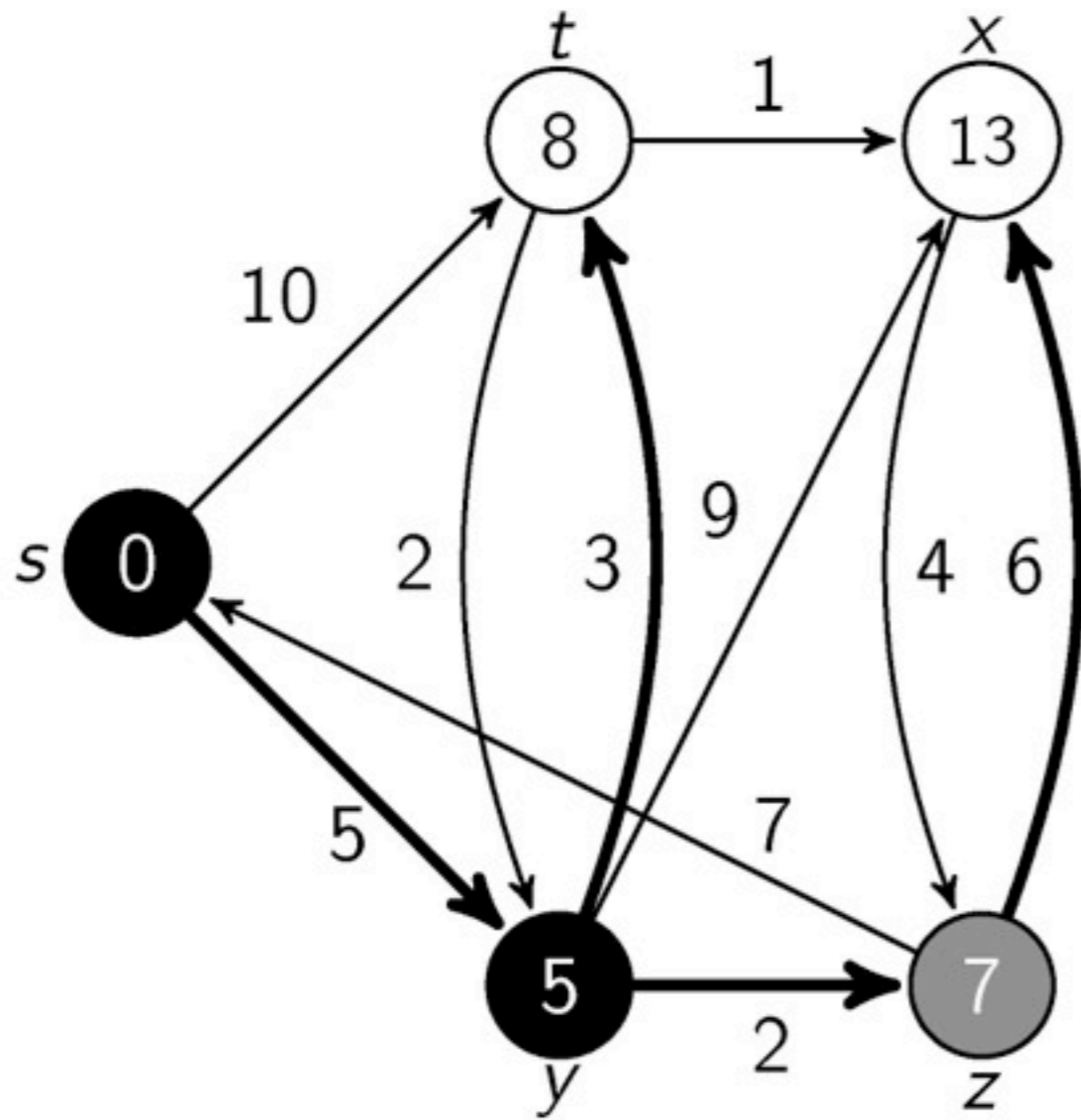
RELAX( $z, s, w$ )  
 $S = \{s, y, z\}$   
 $Q = \{t, x\}$

Test whether we can improve the shortest path to  $s$  found so far by going through  $z$



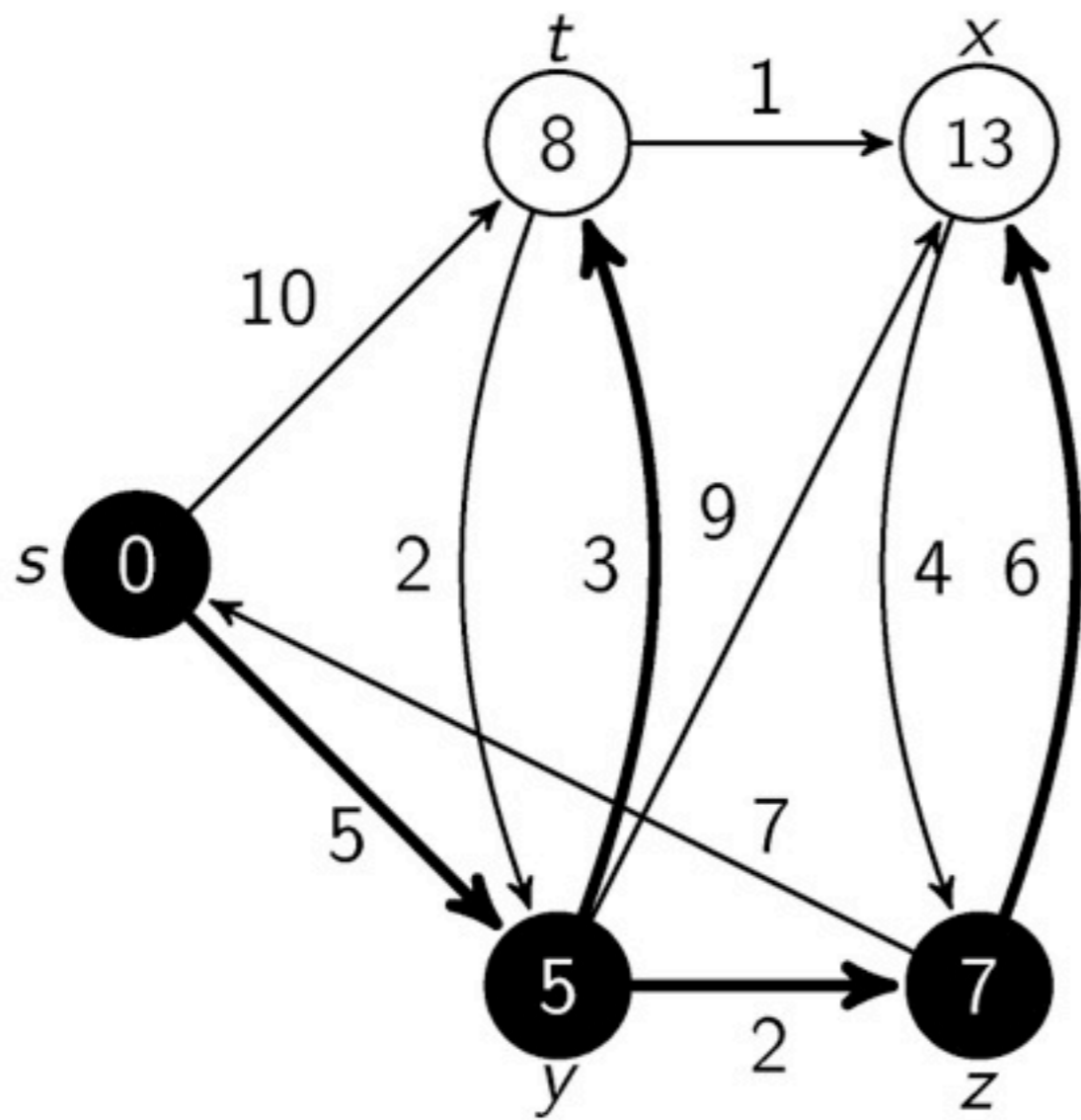
RELAX( $z, x, w$ )  
 $S = \{s, y, z\}$   
 $Q = \{t, x\}$

Test whether we can improve the shortest path to x found so far by going through z



RELAX( $z, x, w$ )  
 $S = \{s, y, z\}$   
 $Q = \{t, x\}$

Update  $x.d = 13$  and  $x.\pi = z$

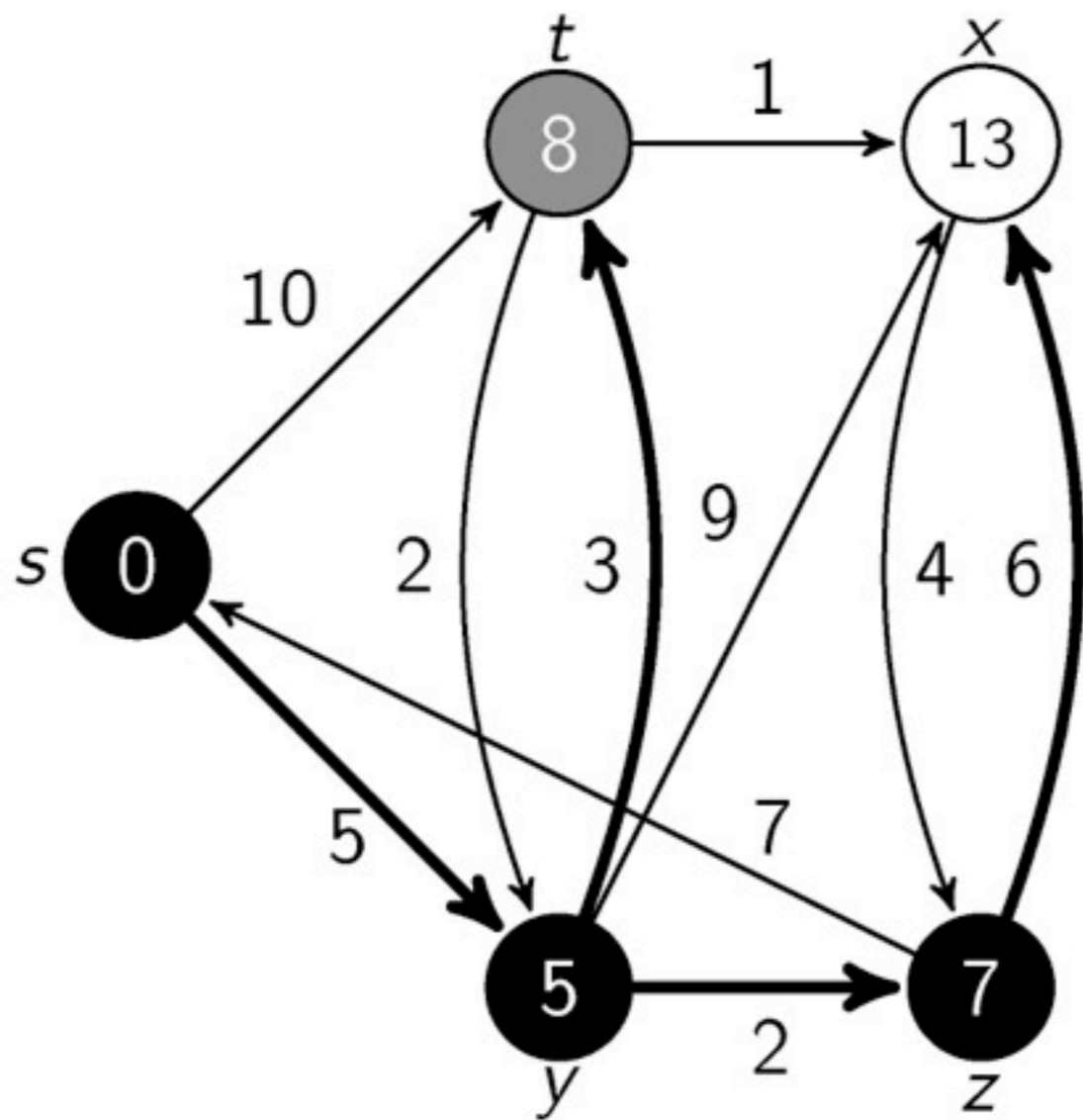


$$S = \{s, y, z\}$$

$$Q = \{t, x\}$$

All edges leaving z have been tested



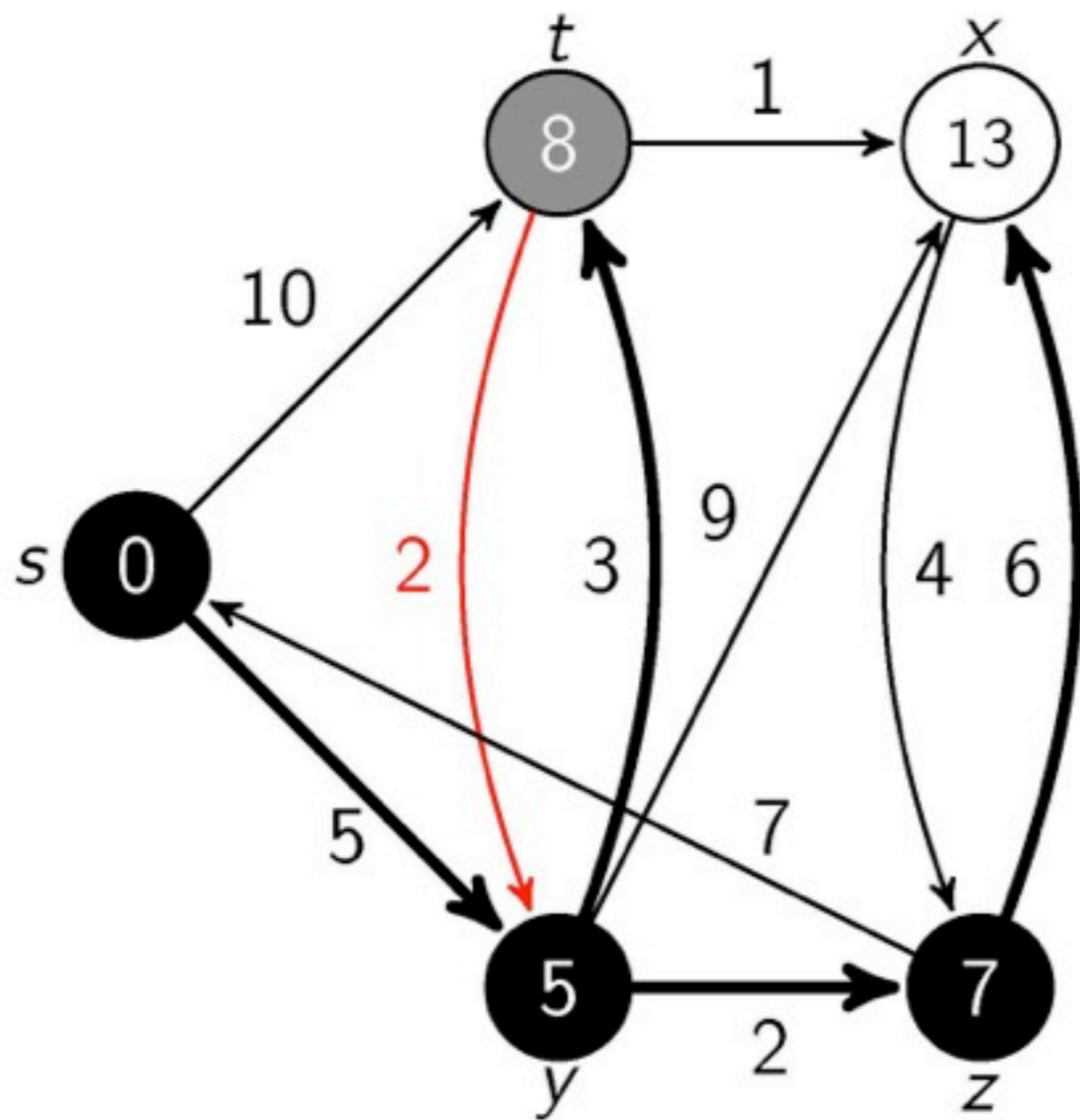


$t = \text{EXTRACT-MIN}(Q)$

$S = \{s, y, z, t\}$

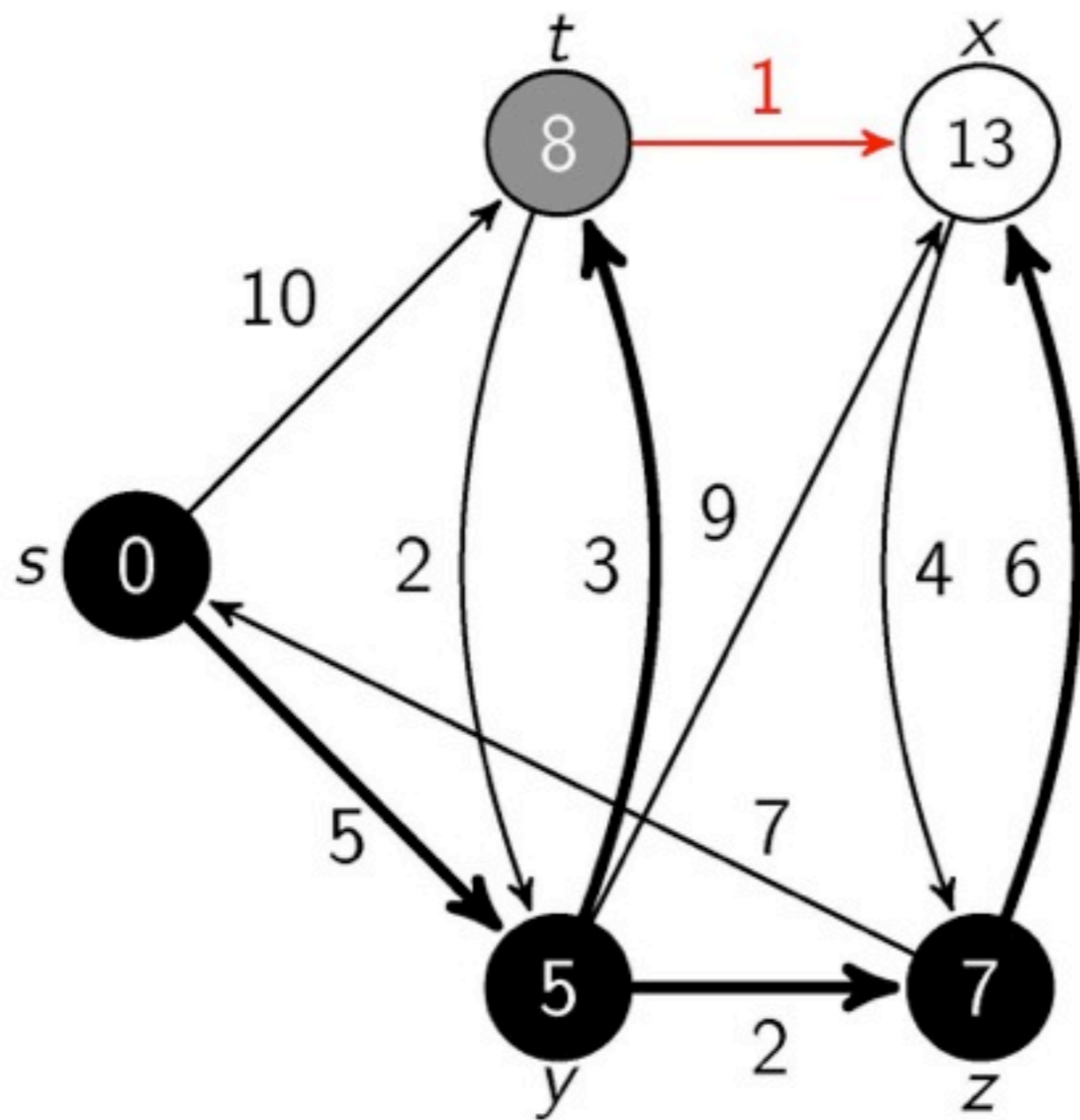
$Q = \{x\}$

We are at node t



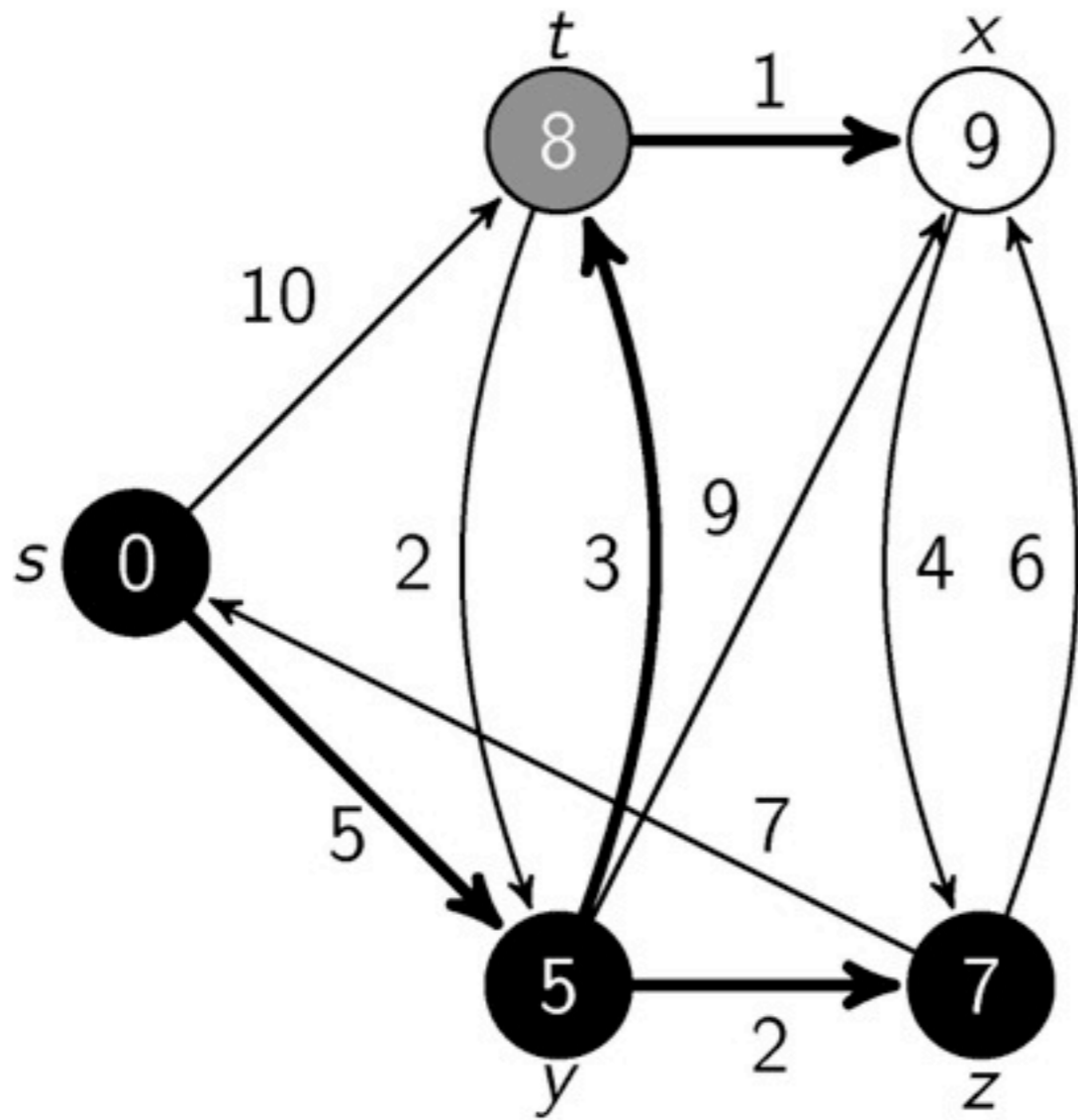
RELAX( $t, y, w$ )  
 $S = \{s, y, z, t\}$   
 $Q = \{x\}$

Test whether we can improve the shortest path to y found so far by going through t



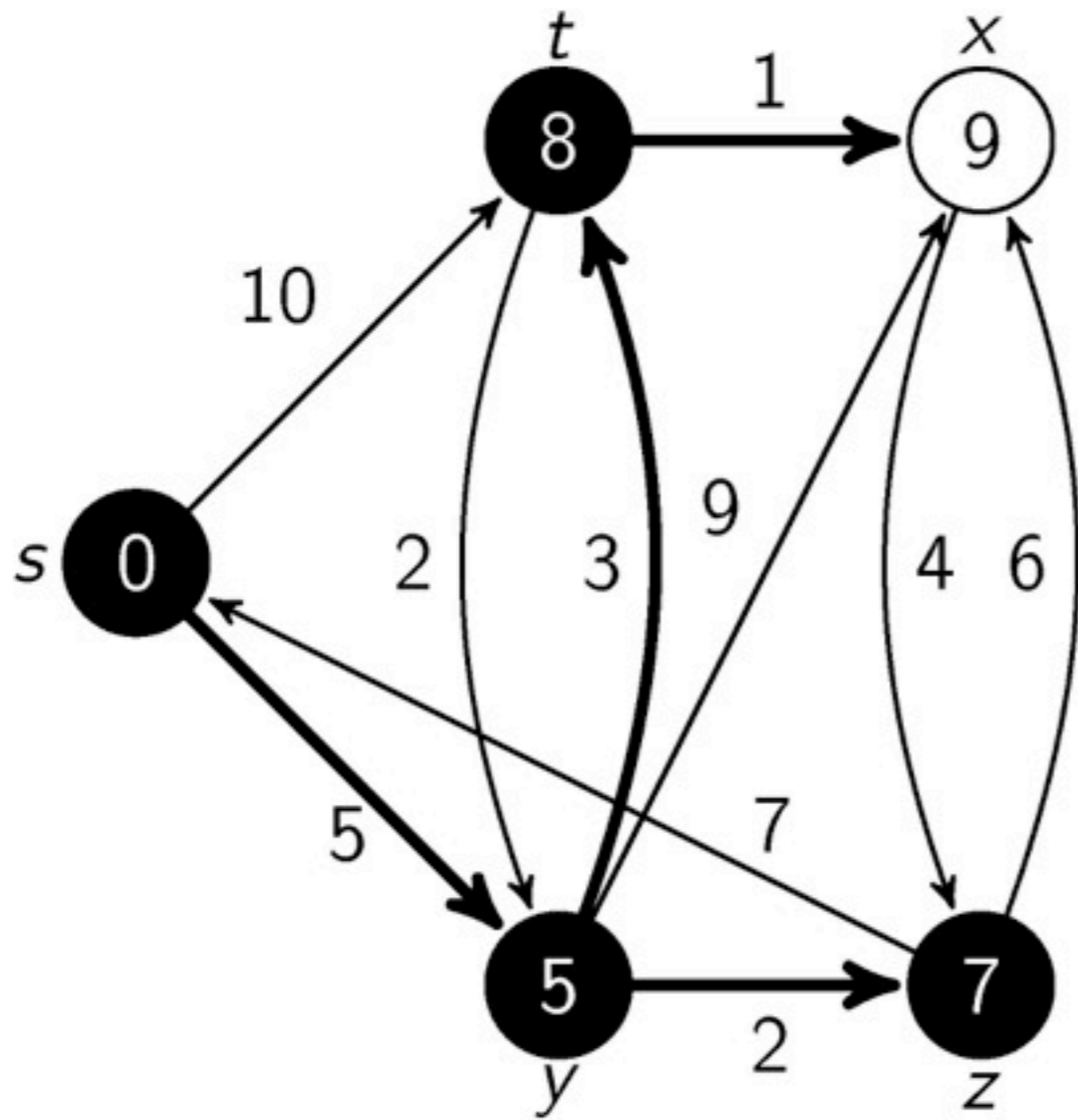
RELAX( $t, x, w$ )  
 $S = \{s, y, z, t\}$   
 $Q = \{x\}$

Test whether we can improve the shortest path to x found so far by going through t



RELAX( $t, x, w$ )  
 $S = \{s, y, z, t\}$   
 $Q = \{x\}$

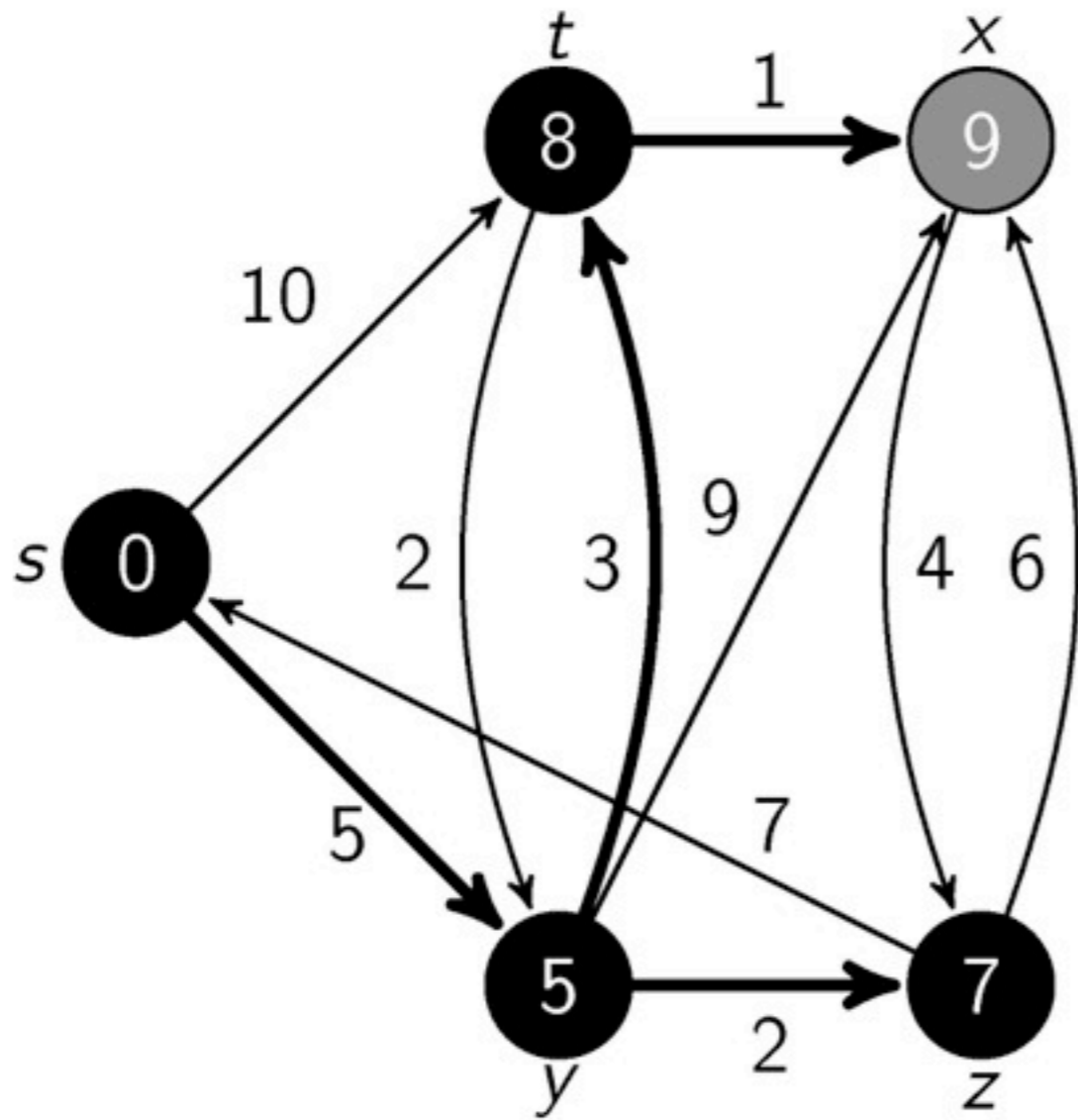
Update  $x.d = 9$  and  $x.\pi = t$



$$S = \{s, y, z, t\}$$

$$Q = \{x\}$$

All edges leaving t have been tested

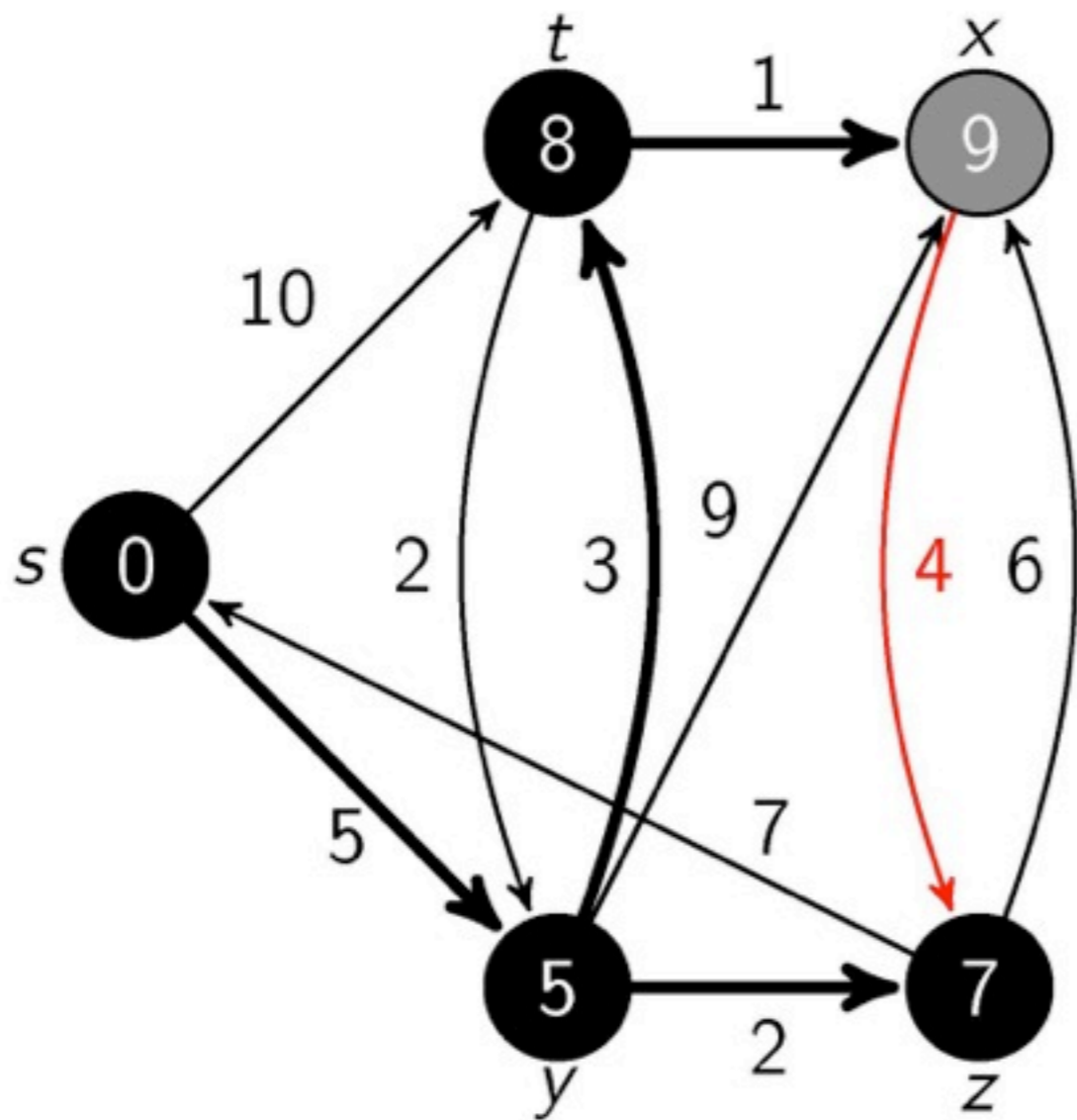


$x = \text{EXTRACT-MIN}(Q)$

$S = G.V$

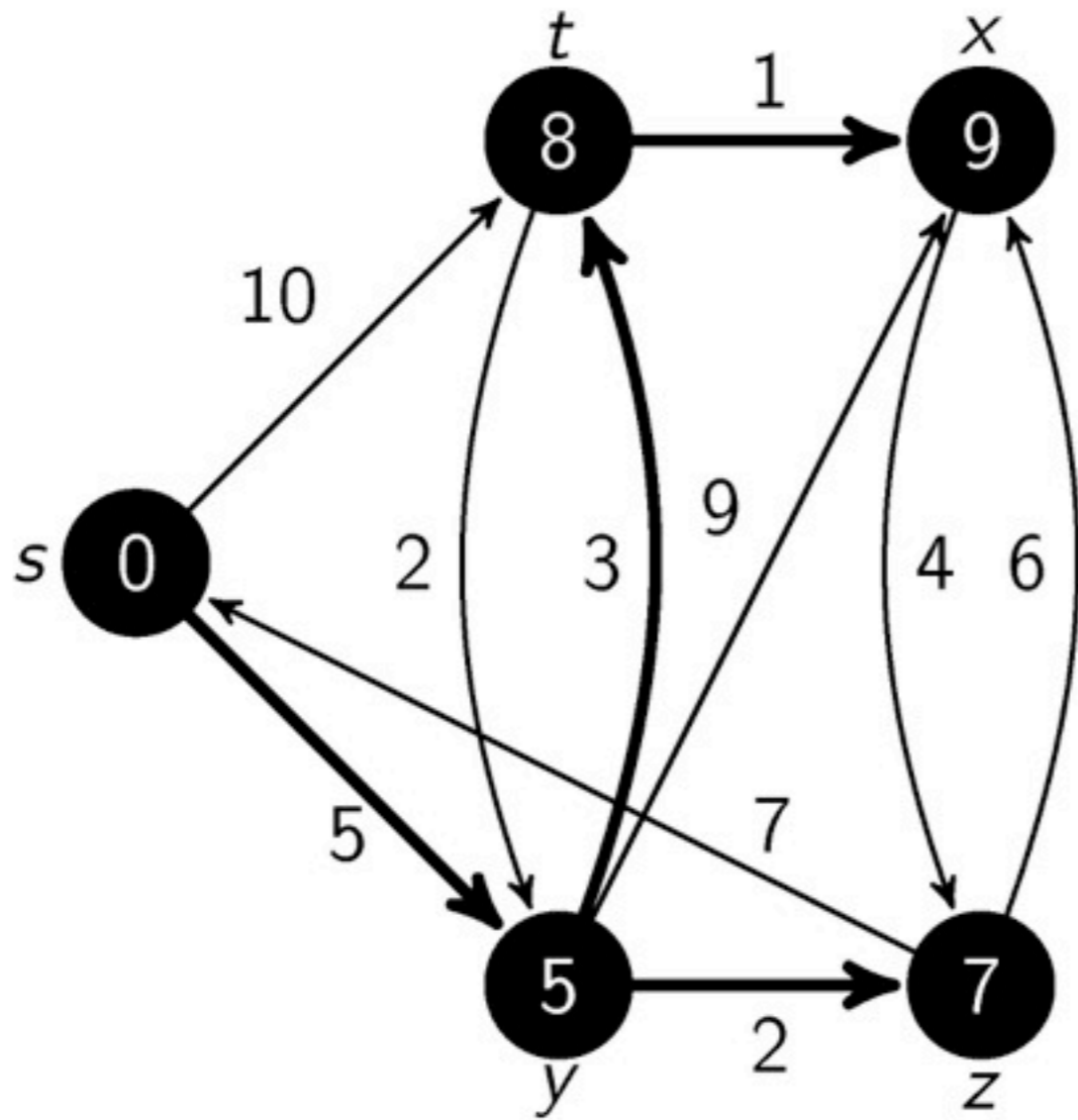
$Q = \emptyset$

We are at node  $x$



RELAX( $x, z, w$ )  
 $S = G.V$   
 $Q = \Phi$

Test whether we can improve the shortest path to z found so far by going through x



$S = G.V$   
 $Q = \Phi$   
 Done!

All edges leaving  $x$  have been tested.  
 Every vertex's shortest path from  $s$  has been determined. We are done.



# Dijkstra's Algorithm

DIJKSTRA( $G, w, s$ )

1 INITIALIZE-SINGLE-SOURCE( $G, s$ )

2  $S = \emptyset$

3  $Q = G.V$

4 while  $Q \neq \emptyset$

5  $u = \text{EXTRACT-MIN}(Q)$

6  $S = S \cup \{u\}$  *dijkstra current SP-tree*

7 for each vertex  $v \in G.Adj[u]$

8 RELAX( $u, v, w$ )

all edges from  $u$

- correctness proof in the book

- idea: proof that for each SP, there is a relaxation sequence of its edges in path-order

- Running Time depends on implementation of queue operations

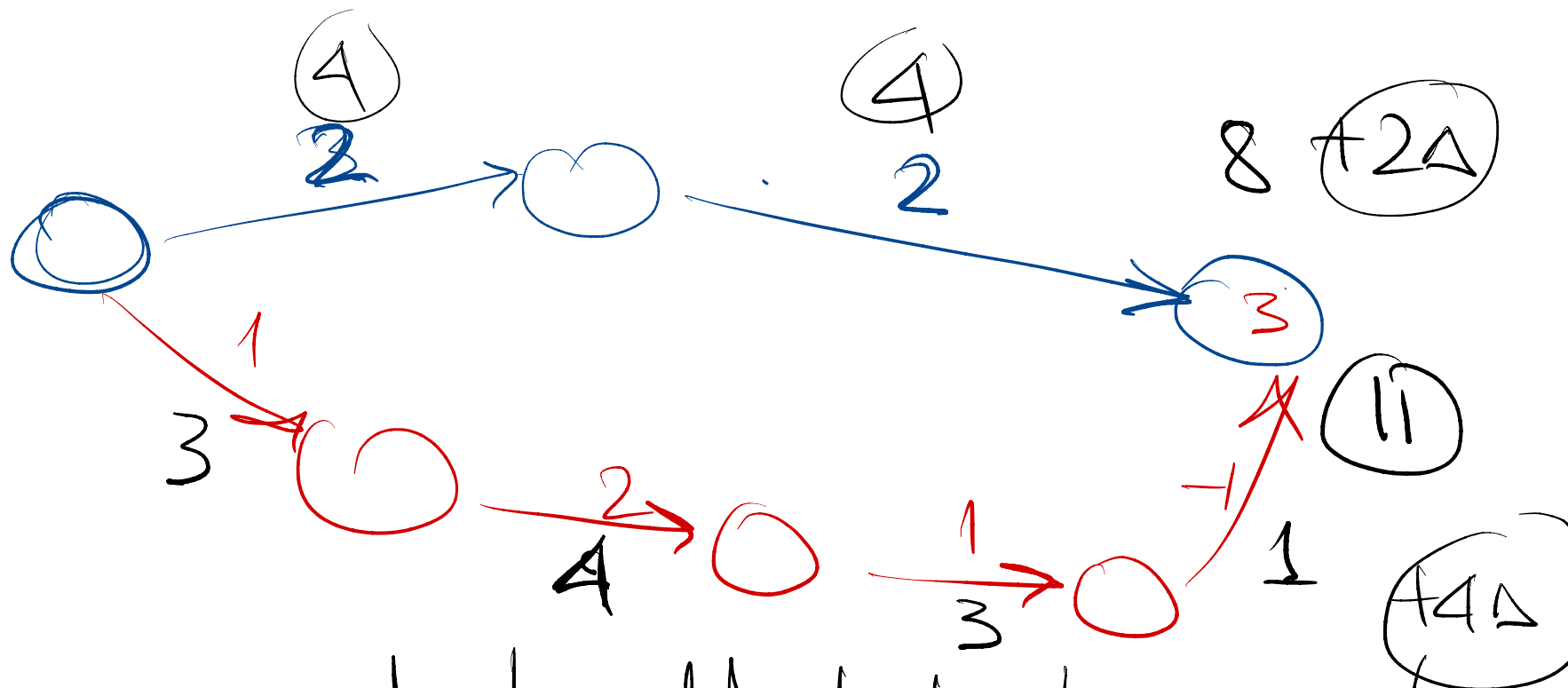
- $|V|$  \* extract-min

- $|E|$  \* decrease key (at relaxation)

- Total

- $O(V * T_{\text{extract-min}} + E * T_{\text{decrease-key}})$

- with Fibonacci heaps: extract-min is  $O(\log V)$  and decrease-key is  $O(1)$ ; total  $O(E + V \log V)$



$\Delta = +2$  need to add to break long cycles  
 add to all edges

# Graphs II - Shortest paths

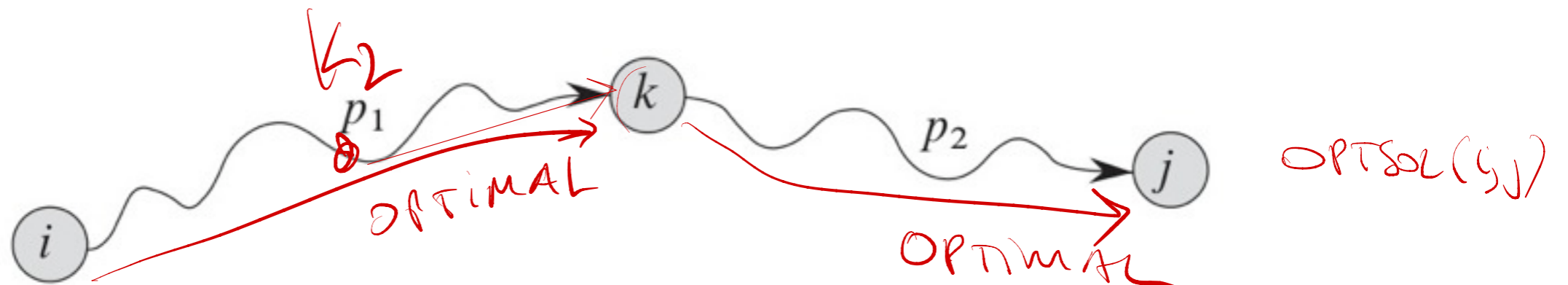
## Lesson 2: All Sources Shortest Paths

# ASSP

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- Task: find all shortest paths, between any two vertices (no fixed source)
- Slow: run Bellman Ford separately from each vertex as source.
  - running time  $|V| * \text{BF-time} = V * O(VE) = O(V^2E)$
  - that is  $O(V^4)$  if graph dense  $E \approx V^2$

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- Instead, we will use dynamic programming
  - $C_{ij}$  = min SP weight (objective) between vertices  $i, j$
  - optimal solution structure:
    - if path  $P(i \rightarrow j)$  from  $i$  to  $j$  is optimal and passes vertex  $k$ , then the subpaths  $P(i \rightarrow k)$  and  $P(k \rightarrow j)$  must be also optimal
    - optimal = shortest

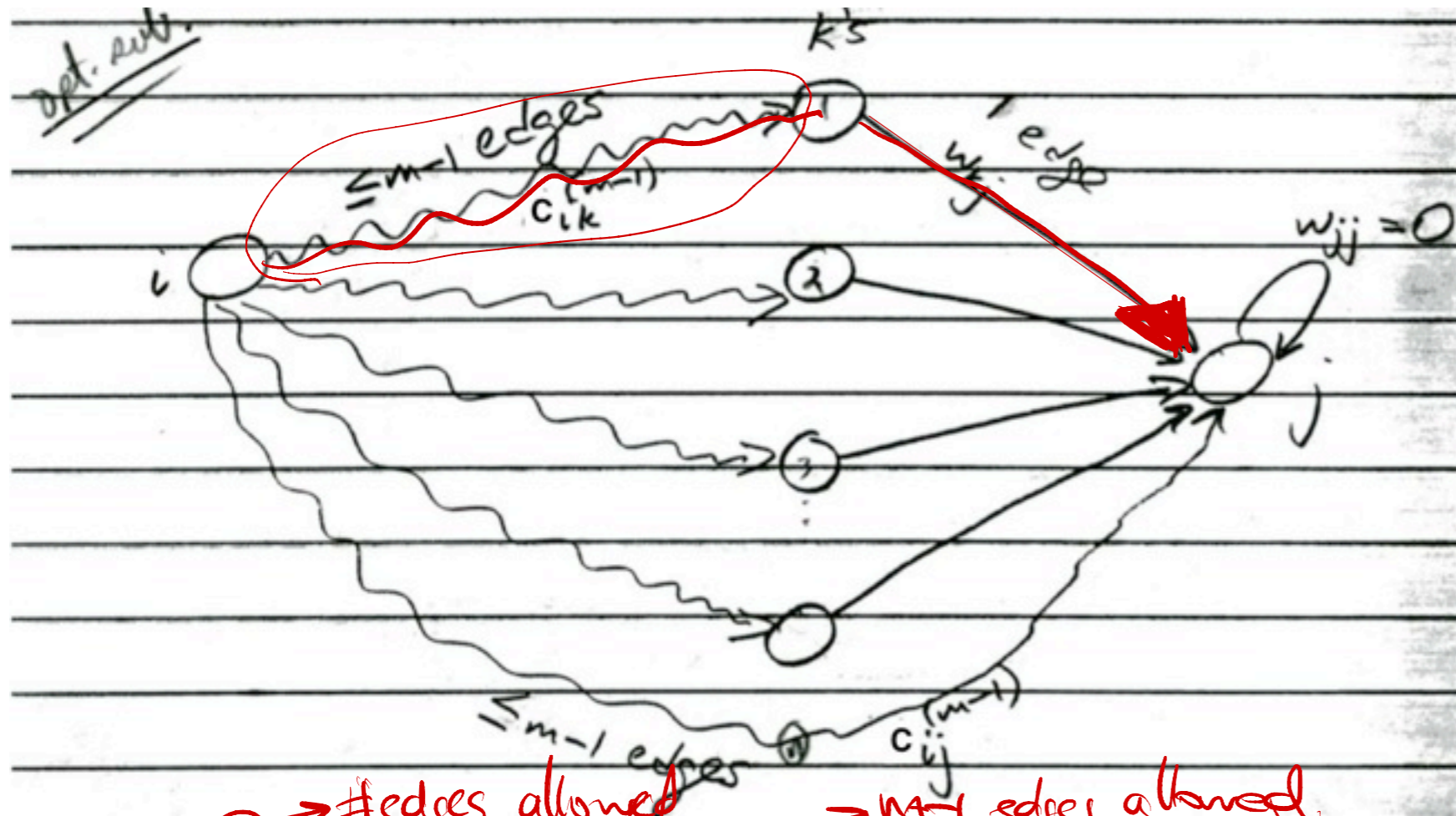


# ASSP dynamic programming

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- two options for dynamic programming
  - A. go by the **number of edges** used in a path
    - $C_{ij}^{(m)}$  = minimum path weight between  $i$  and  $j$  using at most  $m$  edges
    - $C_{ij}^{(1)}$  = weight of edge  $i \rightarrow j$ , if exists (one edge)
    - $C_{ij}^{(2)}$  = min weight of any path  $i \rightarrow k \rightarrow j$  (max 2 edges)
    - $C_{ij}^{(0)}$  = we 0 if  $i \neq j$ ,  $\infty$  otherwise (no edge)
  - B. by the intermediary nodes in a certain fixed order
    - fix order of all vertices  $1, 2, 3, \dots, |V|$
    - $C_{ij}^{(m)}$  = minimum path weight between  $i$  and  $j$  using only intermediary vertices  $\{1, 2, \dots, m\}$
    - similar to discrete knapsack idea, see module 6
- Handwritten notes:*  
OPT SOL ( $\leq k$  edges)  
↓  
OPT SOL ( $\leq k+1$  edges)

# ASSP dynamic programming by edges



- $C_{ij}^{(m)}$  → #edges allowed =  $\min_k \{ C_{ij}^{(m-1)}, C_{ik}^{(m-1)} + w_{kj} \}$  // bottom up computation
- the  $C_{ij}$  using  $m$  edges is either
  - the same as  $C_{ij}$  using  $m-1$  edges, OR
  - $C_{ik}$  using  $m-1$  edges to intermediary  $k$ , plus an edge from  $k$  to  $j$   $w_{kj}$
  - all nodes  $k$  are eligible as possible "last" intermediary

# ASSP dynamic programming by edges

- Compute the  $C^{(m)}$  matrix from  $C^{(m-1)}$  matrix using edges matrix  $W$

- Extend-SP ( $C^{(m-1)}, W$ )

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for i=1:n
  for j=1:n
    a=∞;
    for k=1:n
      a=min{a, Cik(m-1) + Wkj};
    Cij(m)=a
```

*Handwritten notes:*

- ever cell  $C_{ij}^{(m)}$
- $\Theta(n^3)$
- search for prev vertex  $k \rightarrow j$
- $C_{ik}^{(m-1)}$  included when  $k=j$
- new possibility.

- ASSP-slow( $W$ )

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▶ C(1) = W
▶ for m=2:n-1
  ▶ C(m)=Extend-SP(C(m-1), W)  $\Theta(n^3)$ 
▶ return C(n-1)
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# ASSP dynamic programming by edges

$$T^{100} = T^{64} * T^{32} * T^4$$

- Extend-SP looks like matrix multiplication!

— Extend-SP running time  $O(n^3)$

- ASSP-slow is  $n * O(n^3) = O(n^4)$ , same as running Bellman Ford separately from each vertex

wrapper Matrix-Mult  
 $A = T$   
for  $m=2:n$   
 $A = A * T$   
 $\rightarrow A = T^n$

▶ Extend-SP ( $C^{(m-1)}, W$ )

▶ D=multiply( $C, W$ )

```
for i=1:n
  for j=1:n
    a=∞;
    for k=1:n
      a=min{a, Cik(m-1) + Wkj};
    Cij(m)=a
```

*all*  
*operator*  
*Θ(n) comp*

```
for i=1:n
  for j=1:n
    a=0;
    for k=1:n
      a=a + Cik * Wkj;
    Dij=a
```

*all*  
*operator*  
*Θ(n) comp*

# ASSP dynamic programming by edges

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- Think of Extending-SP as of matrix multiplication

- $C^{(1)} = C^{(0)} * W = W$ ; the "\*" means " $a = \min\{a, C_{ik}^{(m-1)} + w_{kj}\}$ " inner operation

- $C^{(2)} = C^{(1)} * W = W^2$

- $C^{(3)} = C^{(2)} * W = W^3$

- . . . . .

- Only need  $C^{(n-1)}$ , not the intermediary ones

- $C^{(1)} = W$

- $C^{(2)} = W^2 = (W^1)^2$

- $C^{(4)} = W^4 = (W^2)^2$

- $C^{(8)} = W^8 = (W^4)^2$ , etc

# ASSP dynamic programming by edges

## ● ASSP-fast(W)

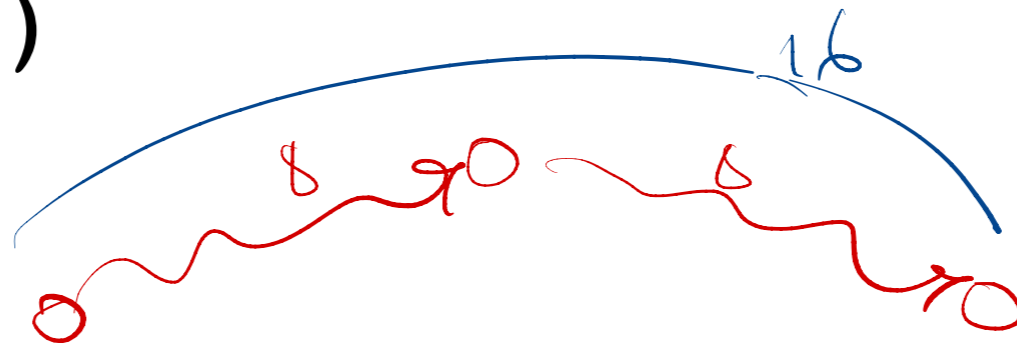
▶  $C^{(1)} = W;$

▶ while  $m < n-1$

▶  $C^{(m)} = \text{Extend-SP}(C^{(m-1)}, C^{(m-1)}, W);$

▶  $m = 2 * m;$

▶ return  $C^{(m)}$



$T^{100} = T^{64} \cdot T^{32} \cdot T^4$  Not needed  
wasted use  ~~$T^{128}$~~   $C^{128}$

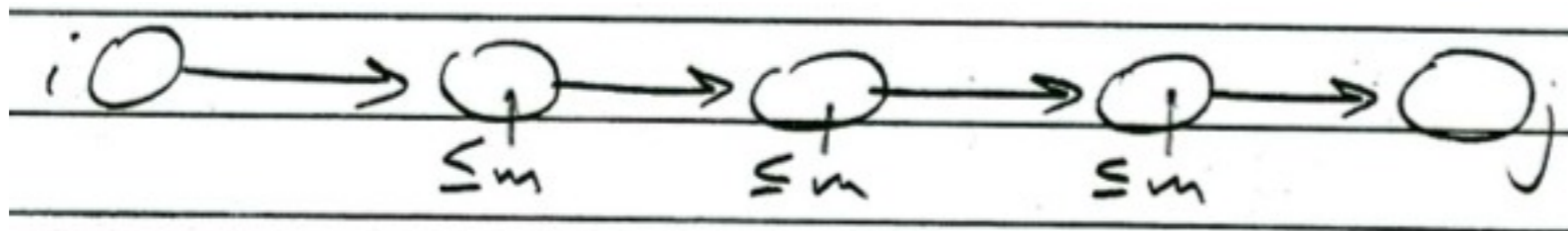
● After  $\lceil \lg(n) \rceil$  iterations we have computed  $C^{(m)}$  with  $m \geq n-1$ . Its ok to "overshoot" as C doesnt change after finding the SP.

● Running time  $\Theta(V^3 \log V)$   $V^3 \cdot V$

# ASSP dynamic programming by <sup>intermediary</sup> vertices

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- "Floyd-Warshall" algorithm
- Fix a vertex order : 1, 2, 3, ... , n *Knapsack trick.*
  - $S_m$  = set first k of vertices =  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m\}$  *the first m,*
- $C_{ij}^{(m)}$  = the weight of SP(i,j) going only through intermediary vertices in set  $S_m$

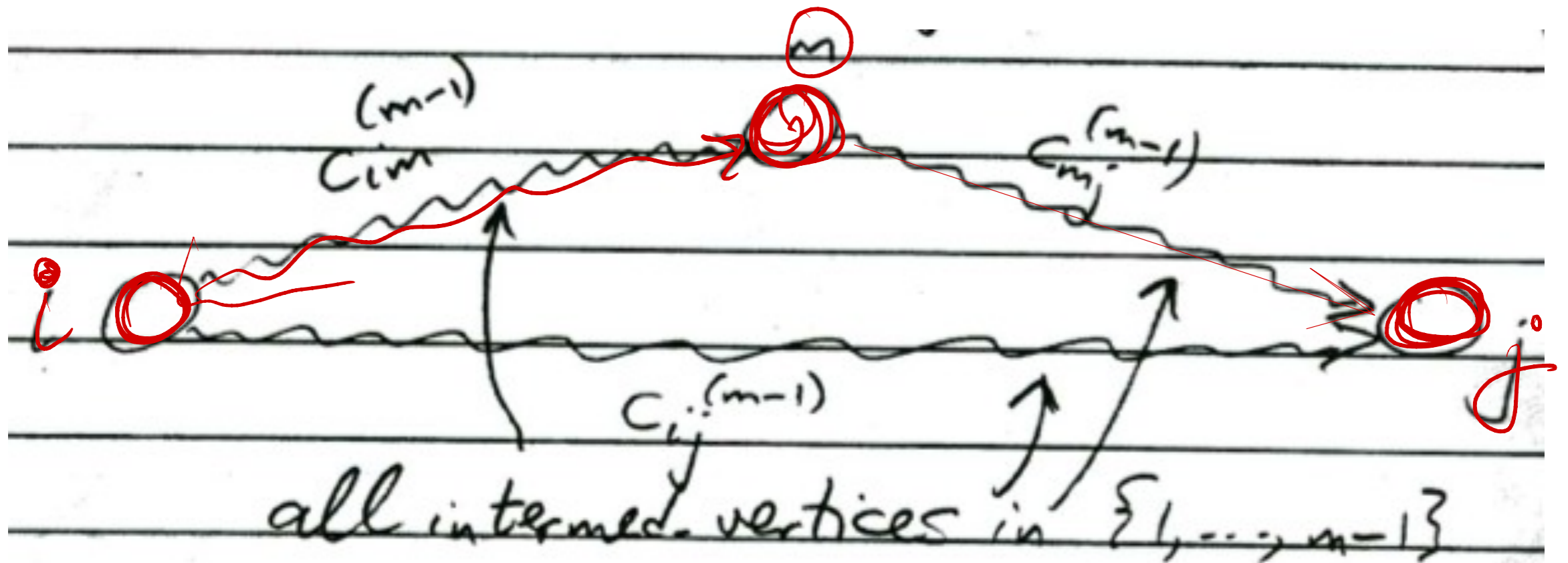


- $m=0$  : no intermediary allowed;  $C_{ij}^{(0)} = w_{ij}$
- $m=1$  : only  $k=v_1$  intermediary allowed
  - $C_{ij}^{(1)} = \min \{w_{ij}, w_{i1} + w_{1j}\}$

# ASSP dynamic programming by vertices

- dynamic recursion

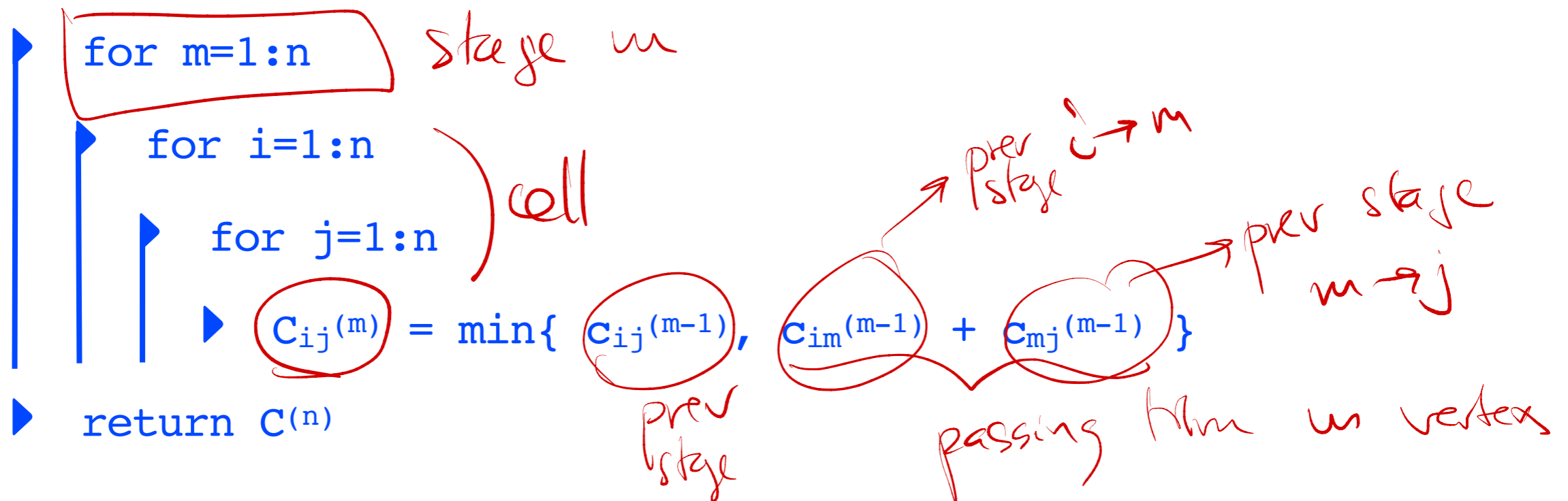
- $C_{ij}^{(m)} = \min\{ C_{ij}^{(m-1)}, C_{im}^{(m-1)} + C_{mj}^{(m-1)} \}$ 
  - $C_{ij}^{(m)}$  = minimum between  $C_{ij}^{(m-1)}$  and the SP including vertex  $v_m$  and only other intermediaries  $< m$ .



# ASSP dynamic programming by vertices

- bottom up computation

- ▶ Floyd-Warshall-ASSP(W)



- Running time  $\Theta(V^3)$

- for dense graphs  $E \approx V^2$ , Floyd-Warshall-ASSP same cost as Bellman-Ford-SSSP

# Transitive Closure

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adj matrix

$$T_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if path } i \rightsquigarrow j \\ 0 & \text{if not} \end{cases}$$

$$T_{ij}^m = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if path } i \rightsquigarrow j \text{ at most } m \\ & \text{edges} \\ 0 & \text{if not} \end{cases}$$

$$T_{ij}^1 = \text{adj matrix}$$

