

Announcements

- Homework 2 online due today
- No Homework next week
- Exam 1 Next Friday!

Exam Details

- In class
- Randomized assigned seats
- You may use 6 one-sided pages of notes
- No textbook or electronic aids
- 3 Questions in 45 minutes
 - 1st straightforward implementation of algorithm
 - 2nd requires some thought
 - 3rd can be quite tricky

Exam Topics

- Chapter 3
 - Graph basics
 - Explore/DFS
 - Connected components
 - Pre/Post orderings
 - DAGs
 - Topological sort
 - Strongly connected components
- Chapter 4
 - Shortest path definitions
 - BFS
 - Dijkstra
 - Priority queues
 - Bellman-Ford
 - Negative weight cycles
 - Shortest paths in DAGs

Review Options

- I will produce a brief review video
- Lecture podcasts / slides
- Textbook
- OH questions
- Old exams from problem archive

Last Time

- Shortest paths with negative edge weights
- Negative weight cycles
- Computing paths with bounded numbers of edges

Negative Edge Weights

- So far we have talked about the case of non-negative edge weights.
 - The usual case (distance & time usually cannot be negative).
 - However, if “lengths” represent other kinds of costs, sometimes they can be negative.
- Problem statement same. Find path with smallest sum of edge weights.

Negative Weight Cycles

Definition: A negative weight cycle is a cycle where the total weight of edges is negative.

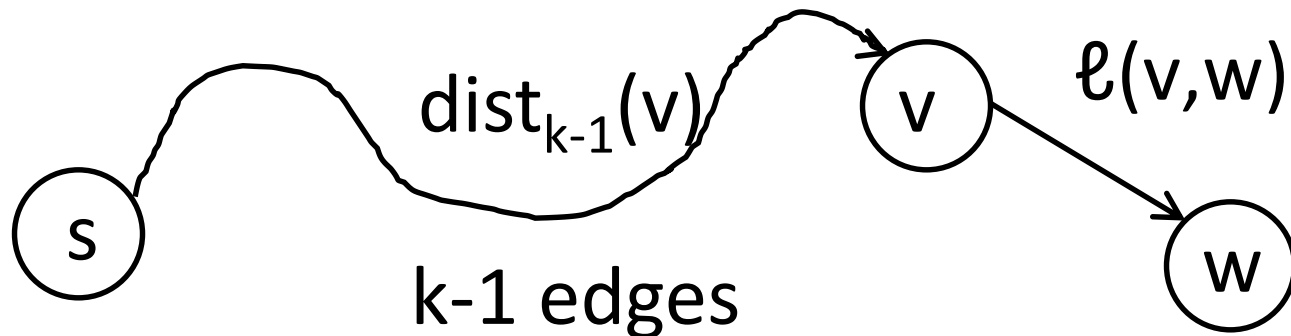
- If G has a negative weight cycle, then there are probably no shortest paths.
 - Go around the cycle over and over.
- **Note:** For undirected G , a single negative weight edge gives a negative weight cycle by going back and forth on it.

Algorithm Idea

Instead of finding shortest paths (which may not exist), find shortest paths of length at most k .

For $w \neq s$,

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Today

- Bellman-Ford
 - Computing shortest paths
 - Detecting negative weight cycles
- Shortest paths in DAGs
- Introduction to divide & conquer

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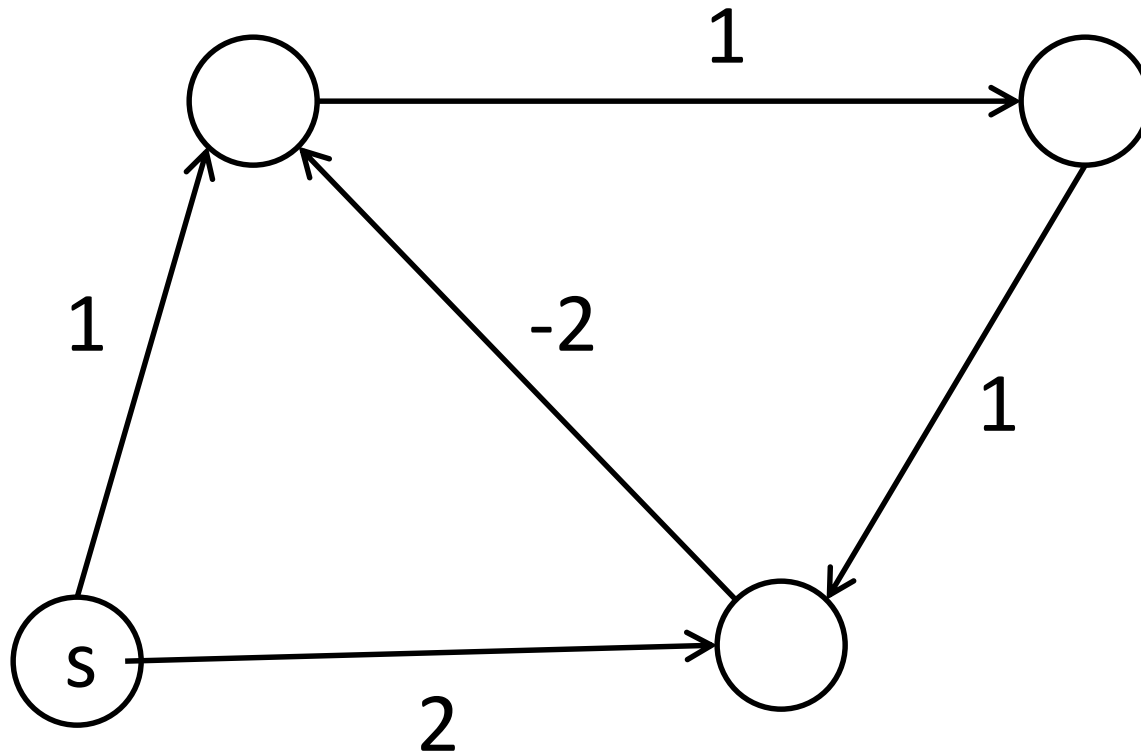
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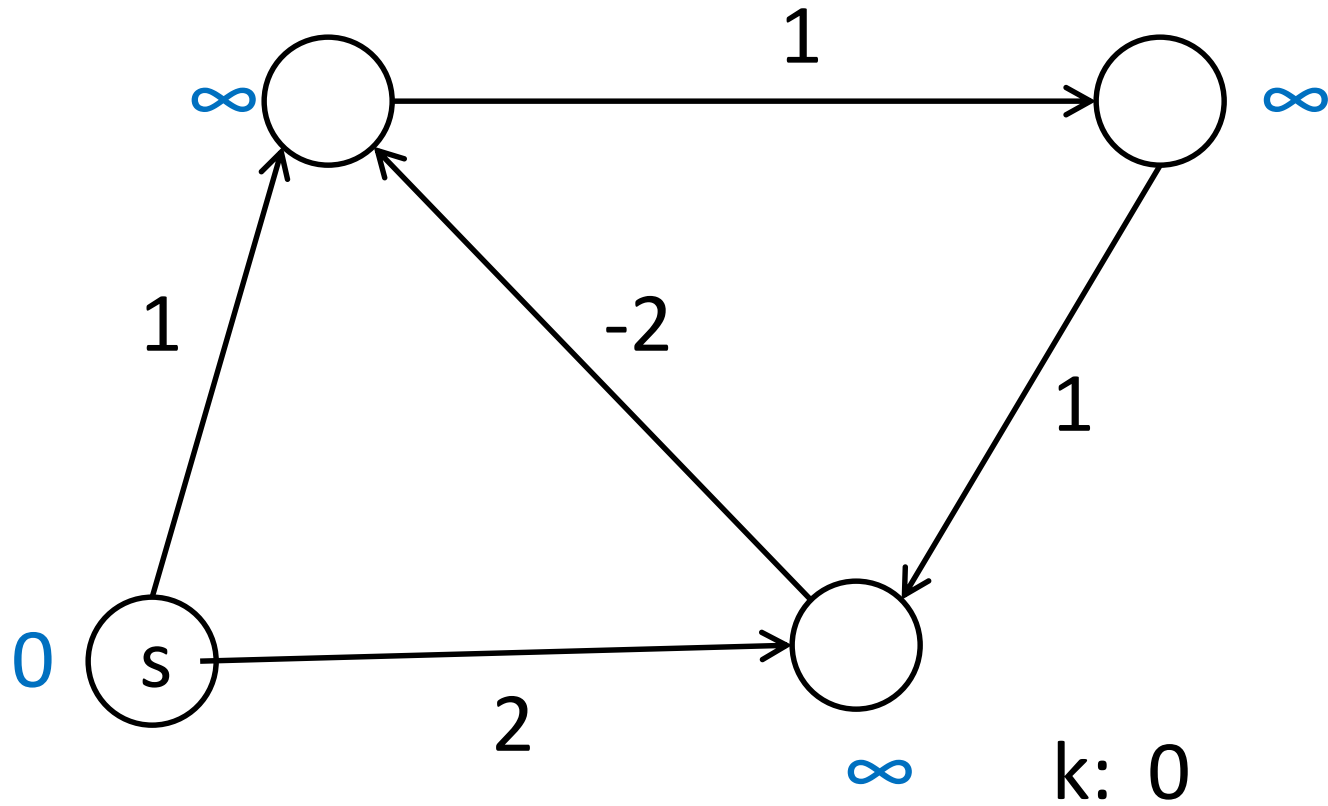
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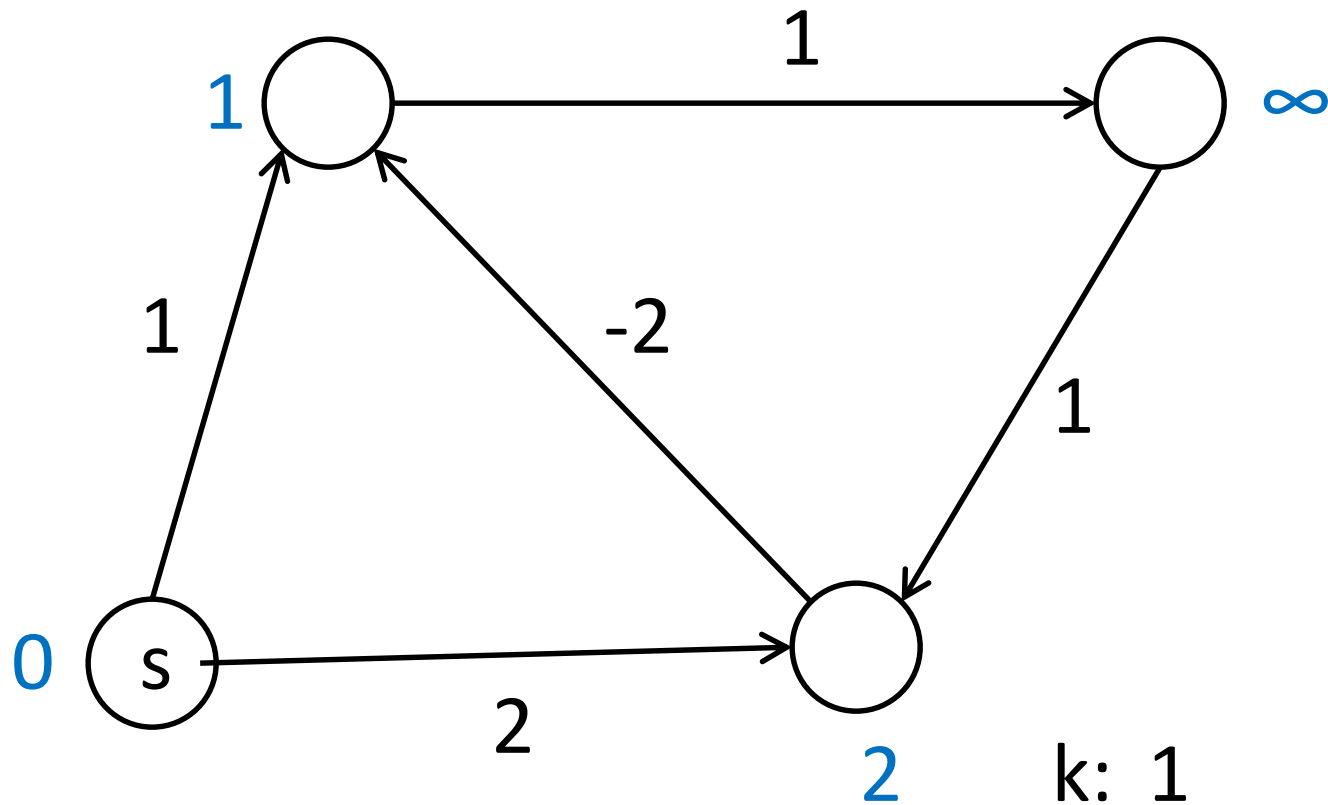
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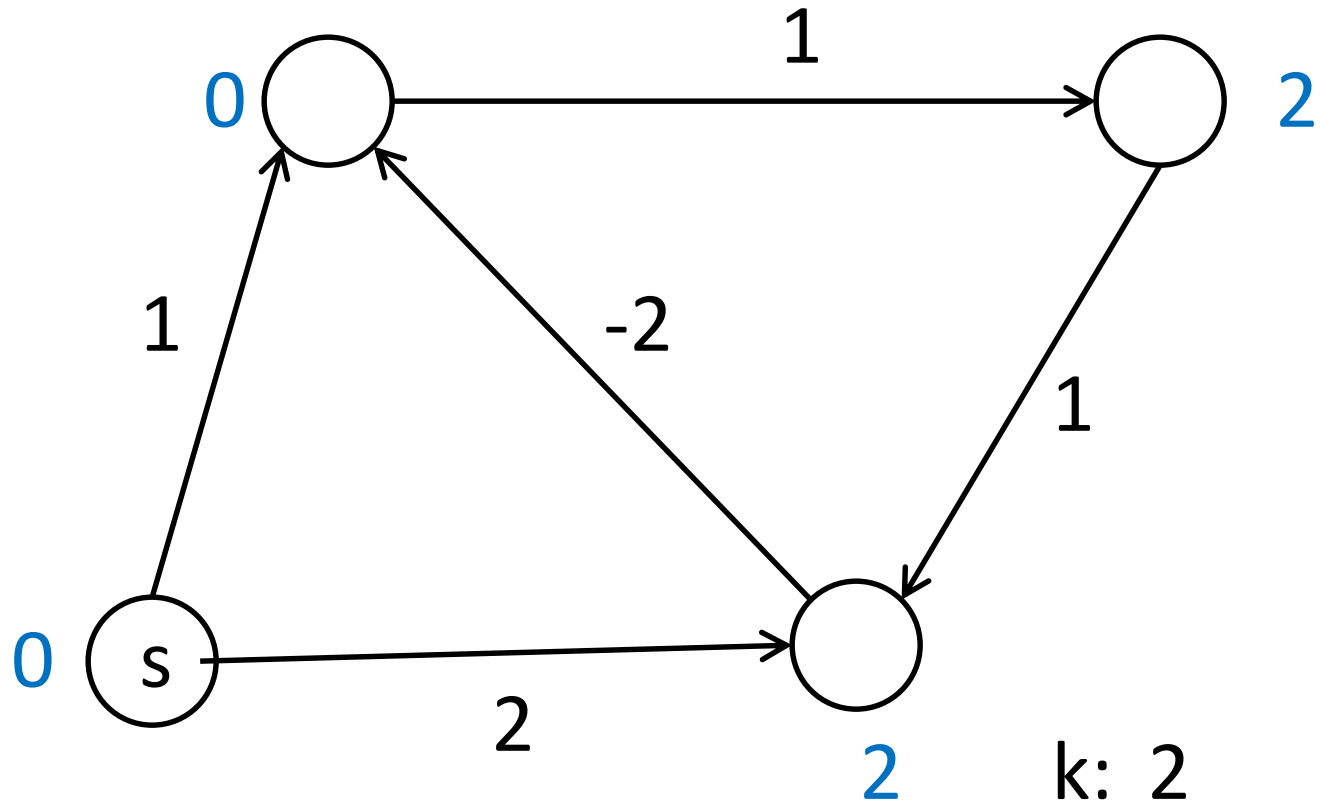
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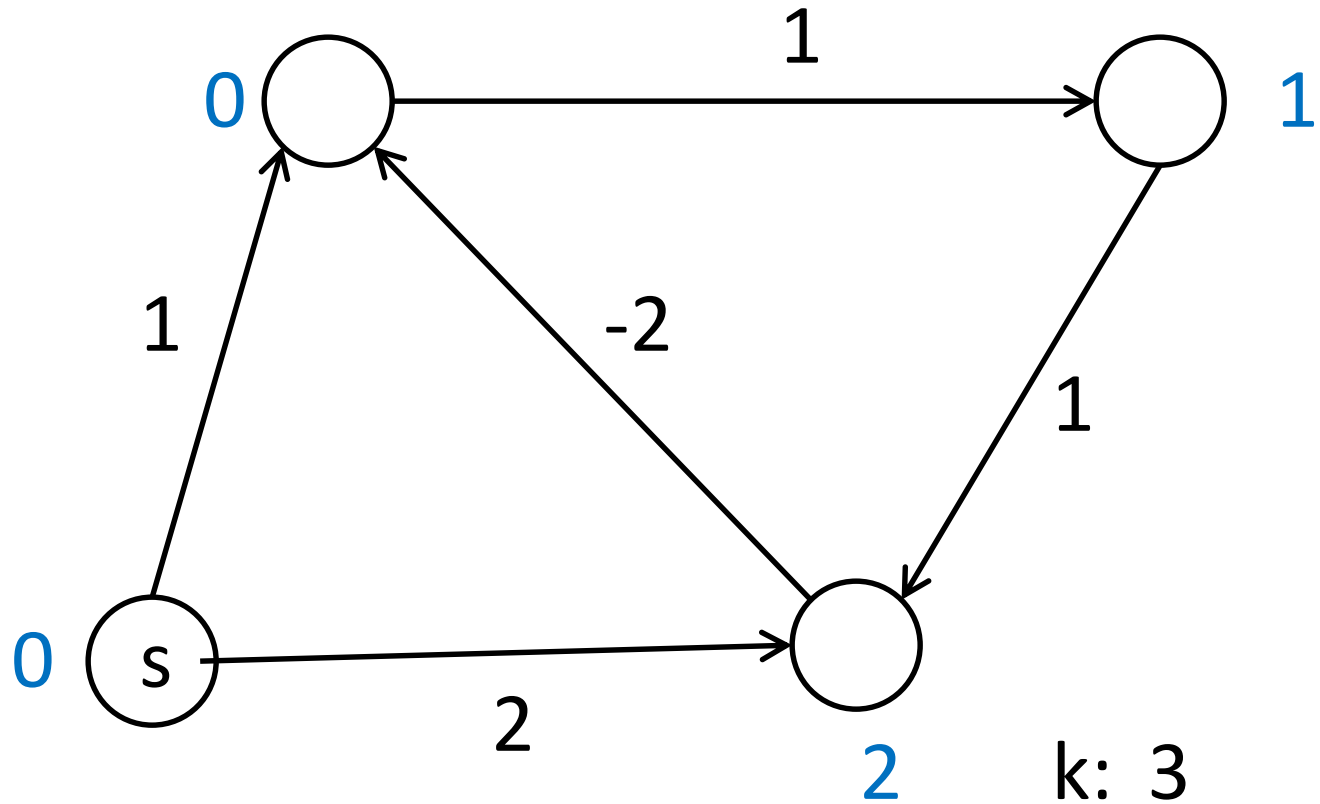
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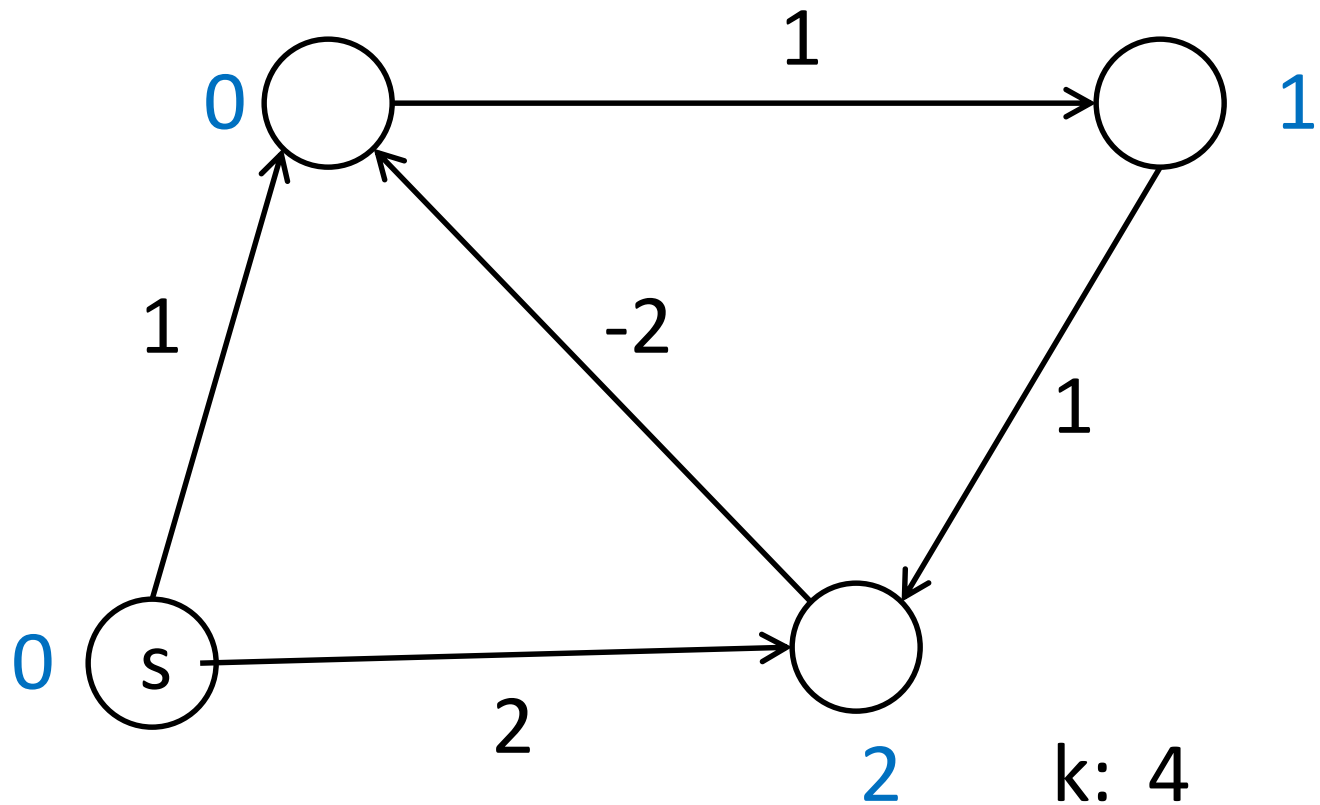
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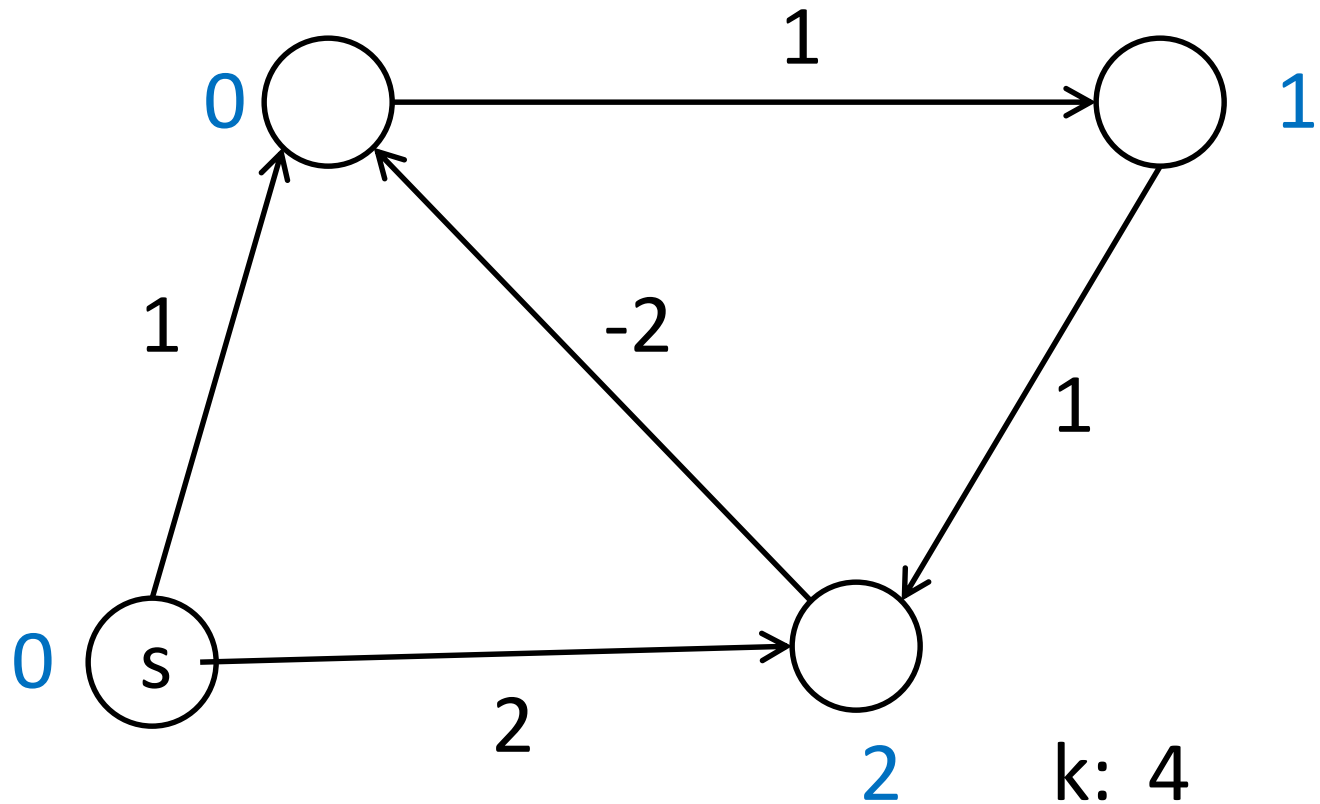
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- If not, we only need to run our algorithm for $|V|$ rounds, for a final runtime $O(|V| |E|)$.

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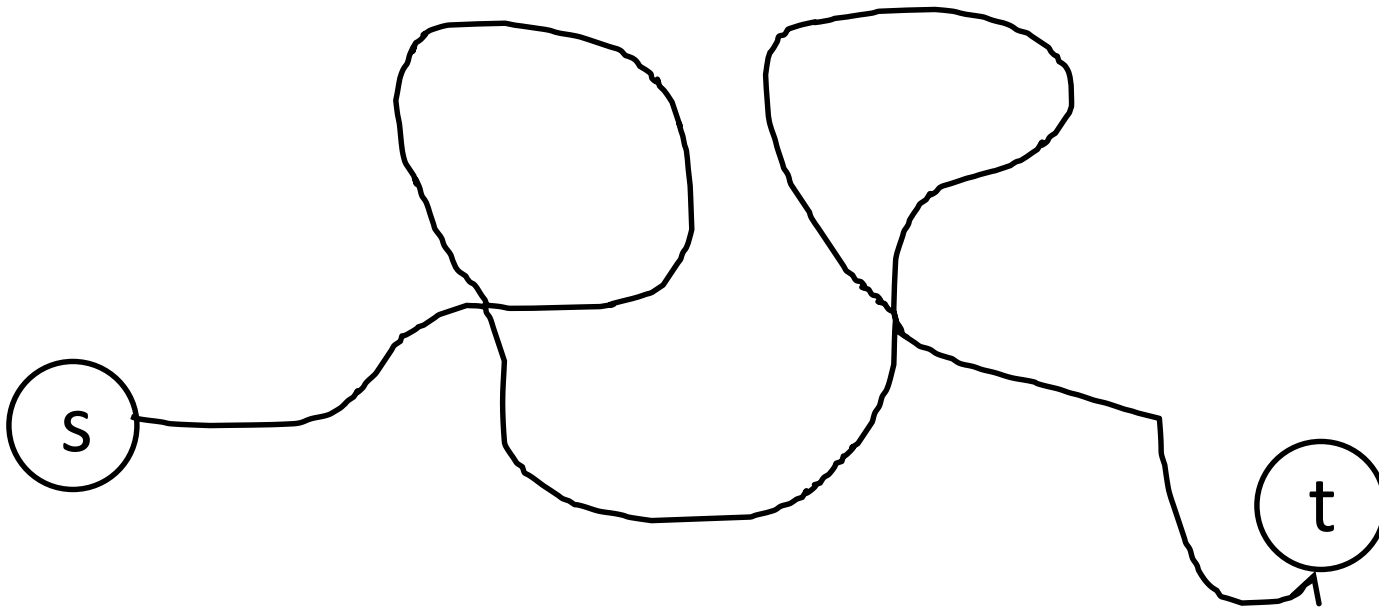
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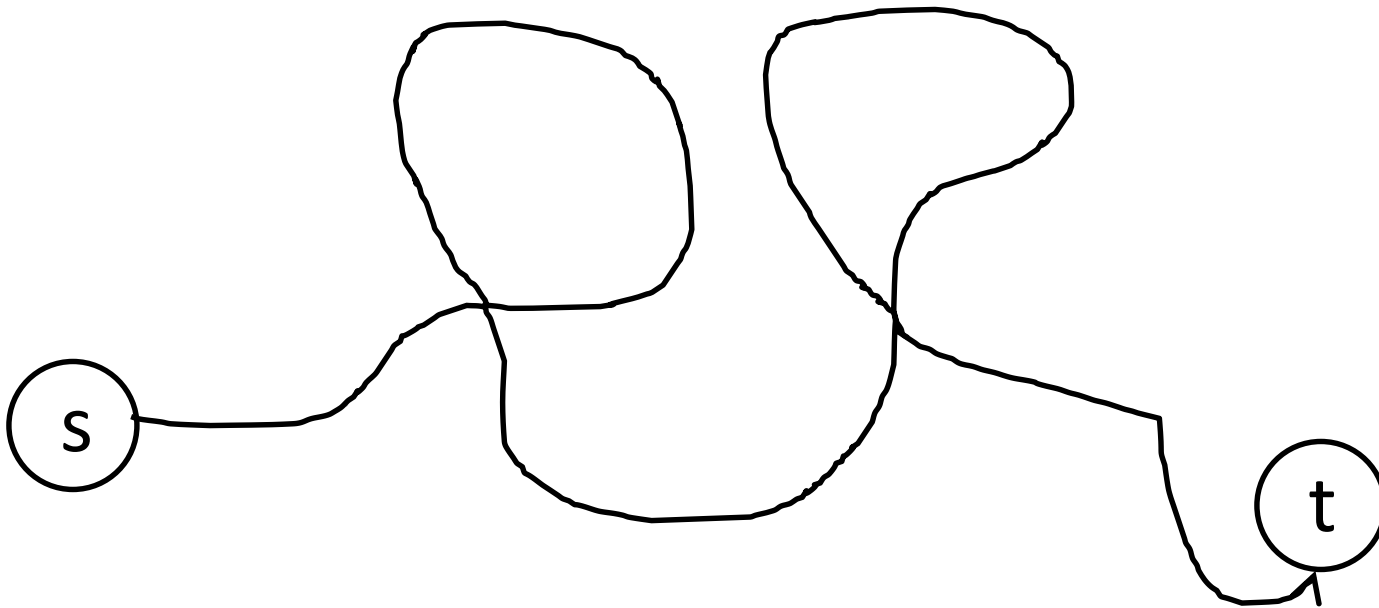
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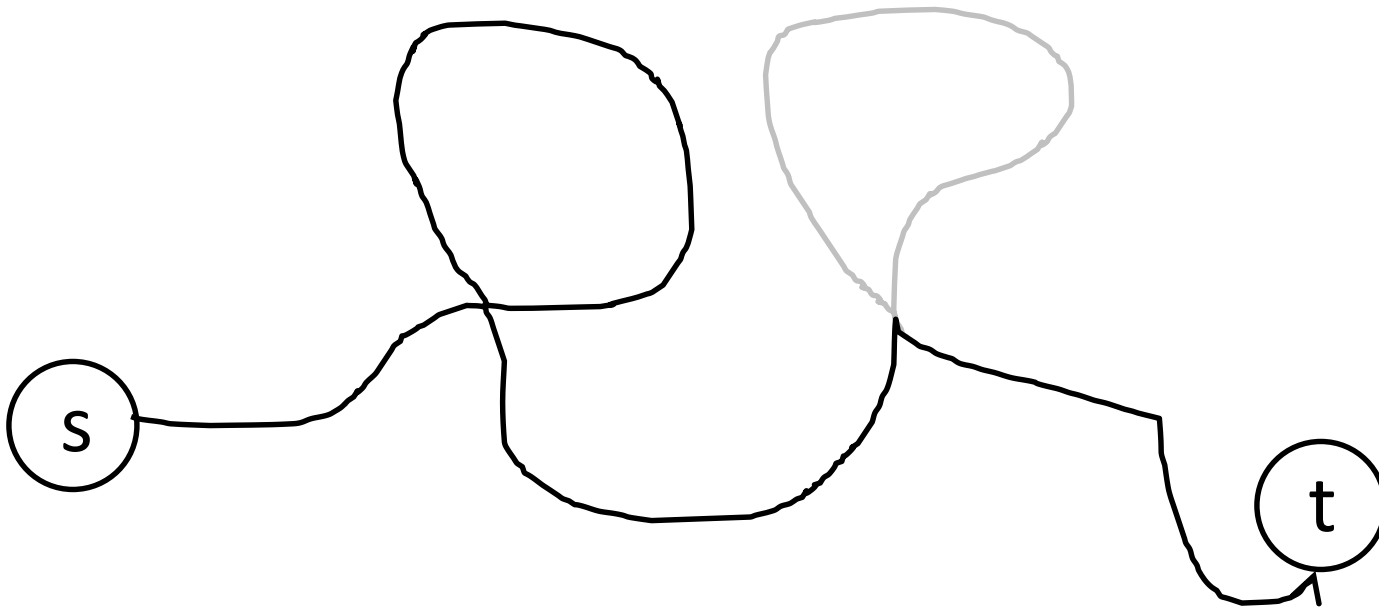
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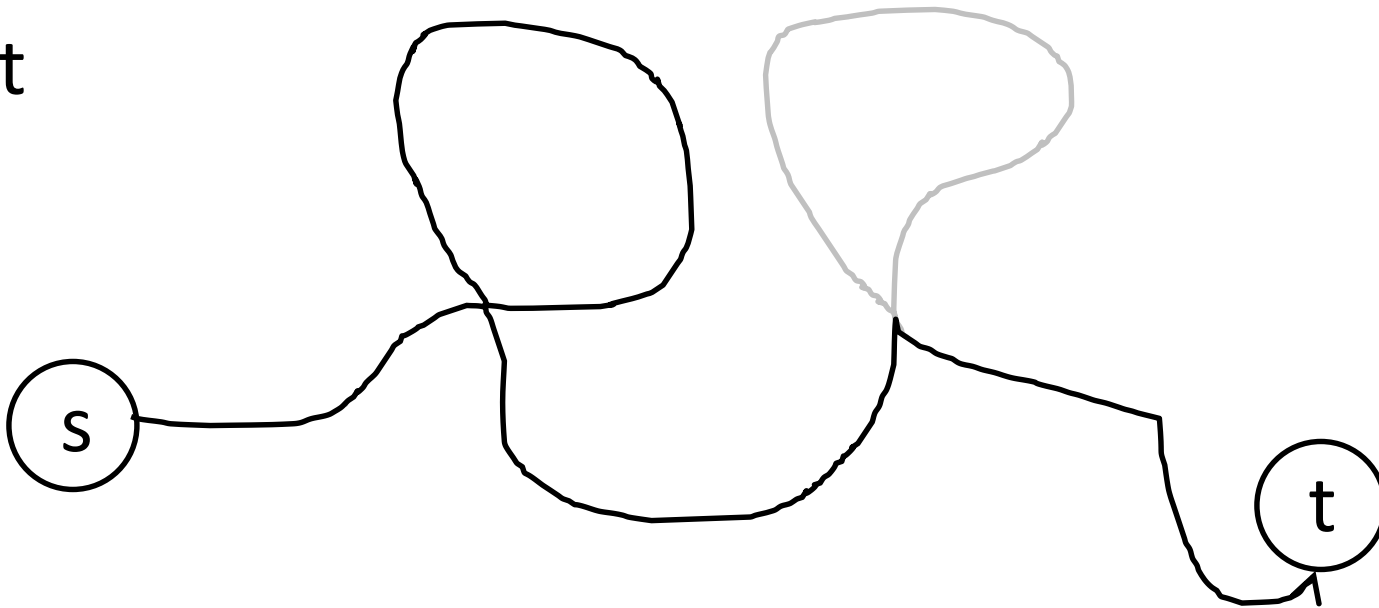
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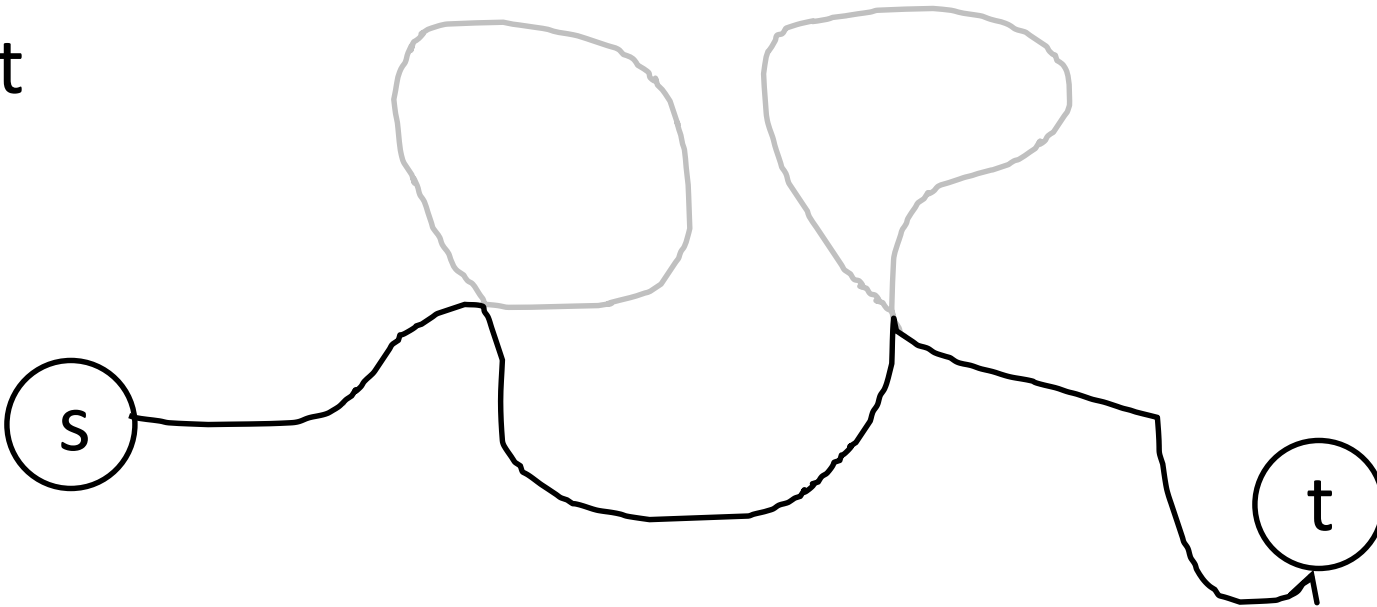
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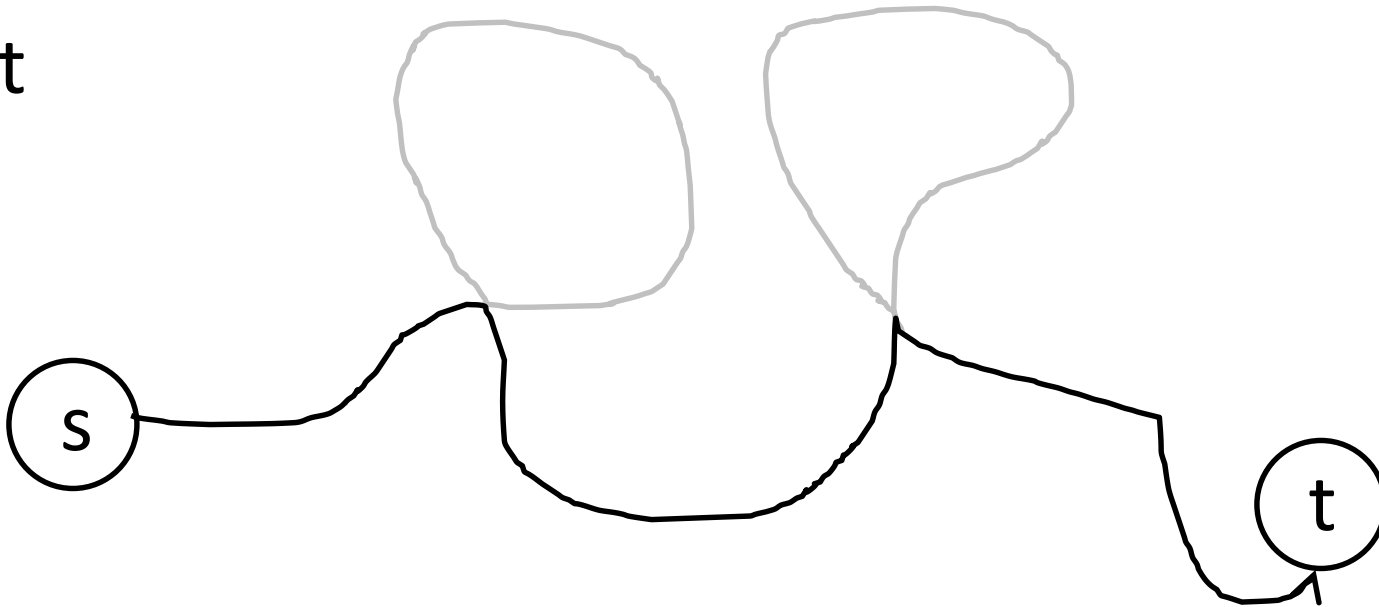
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New Algorithm

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$$O(\log^8 |V| \log(W) (|V| + |E|))$$

where W is the most negative edge weight.

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- Detect by running one more round of Bellman-Ford.
- Need to see if *any* v 's distance changes.

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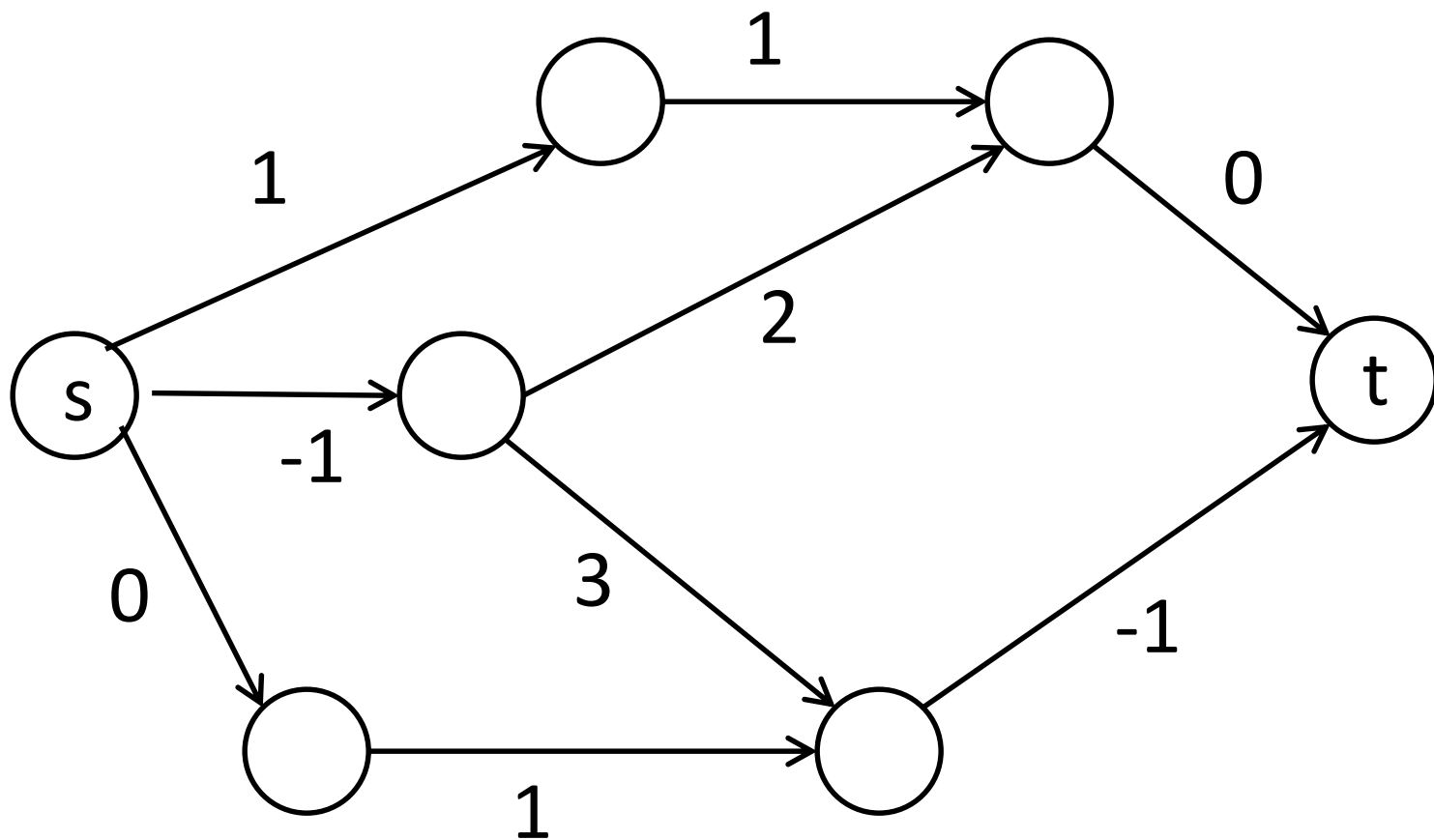
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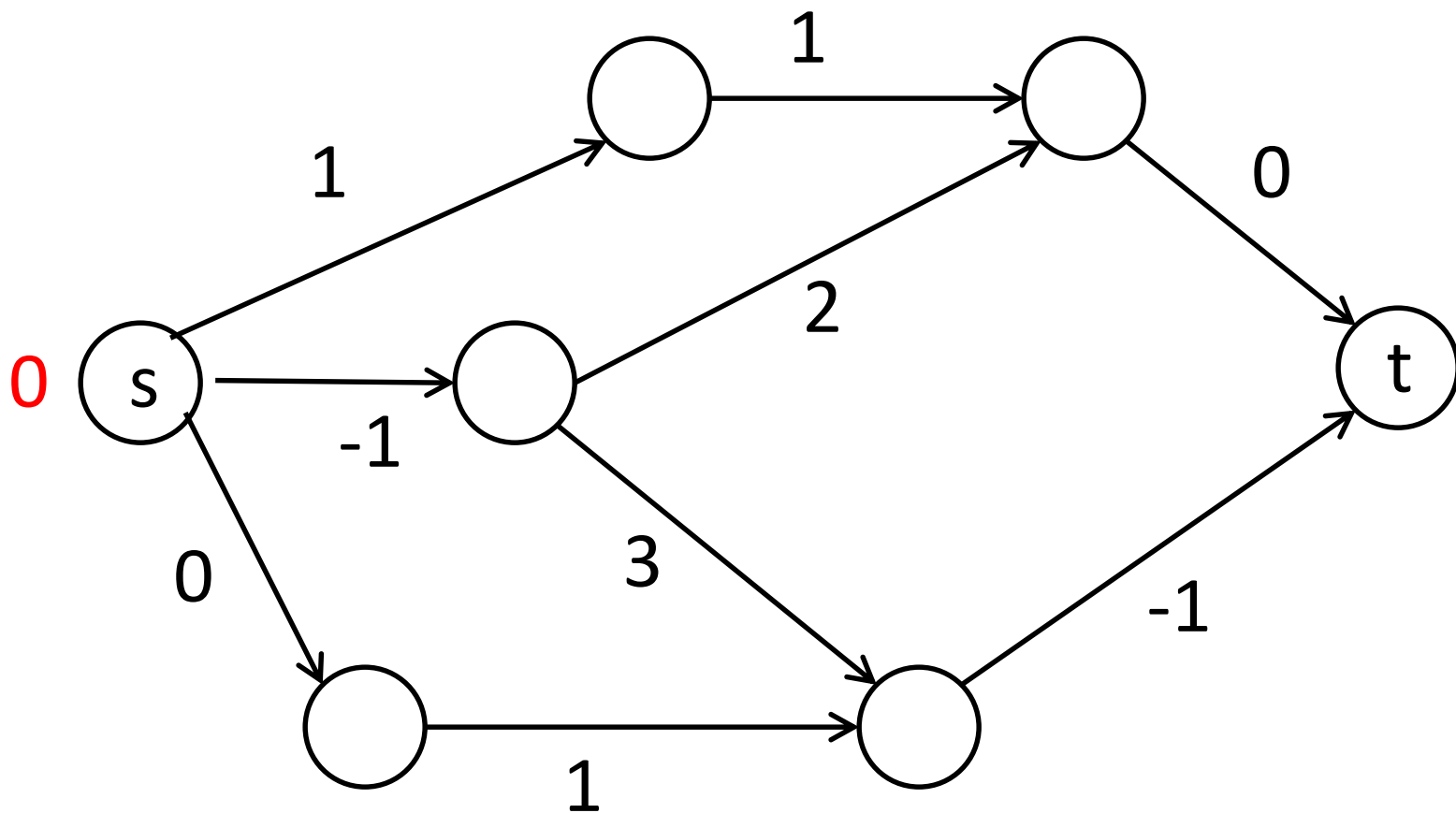
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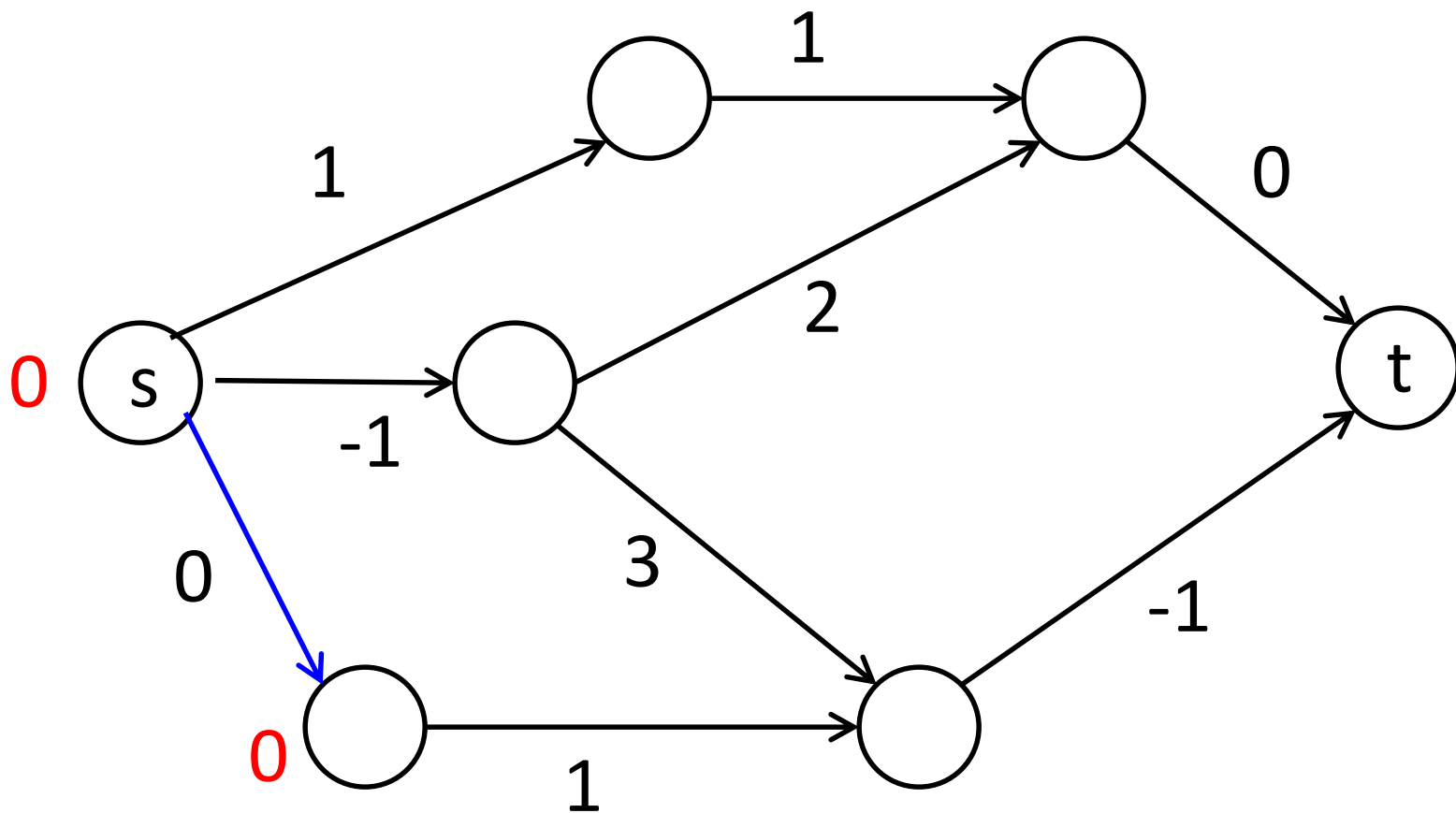
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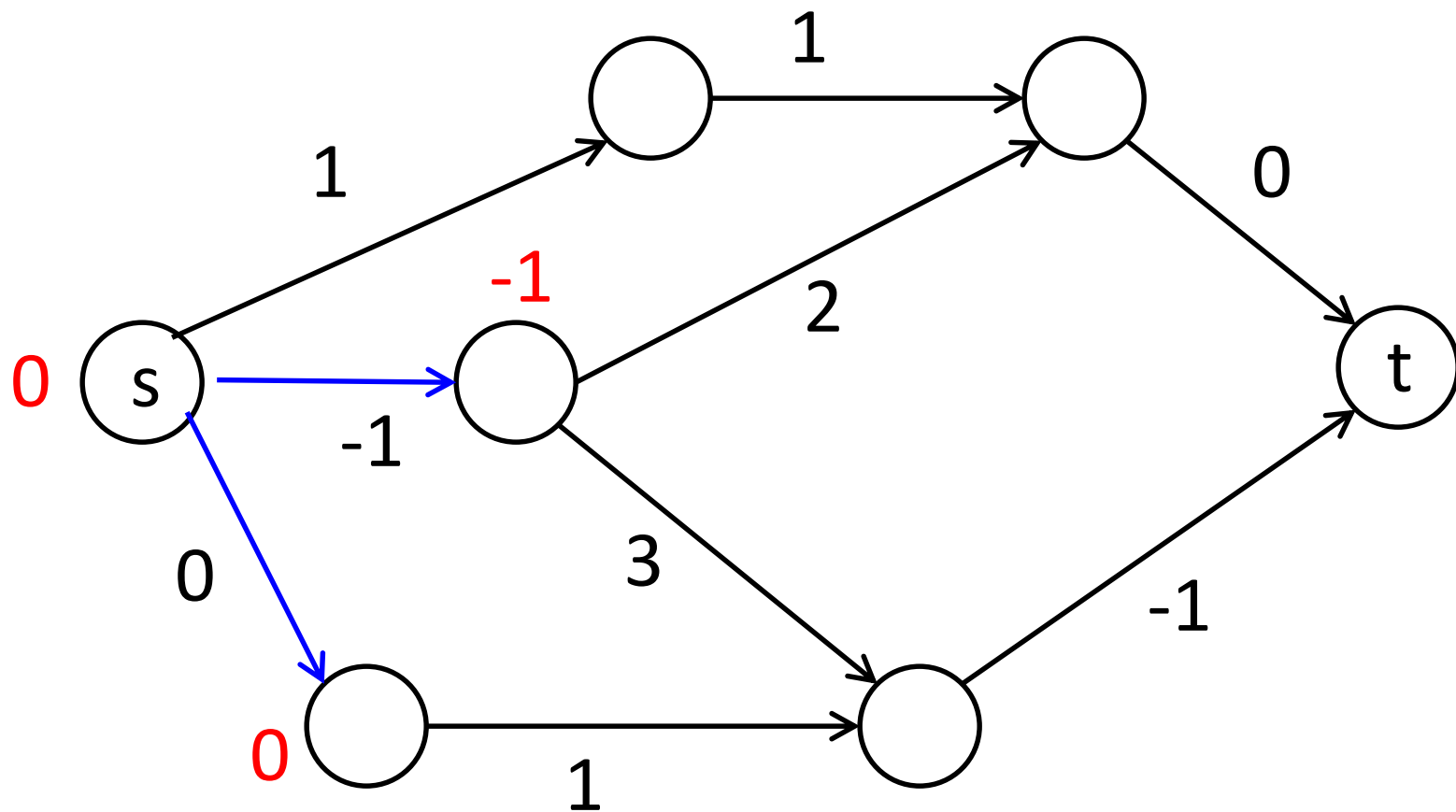
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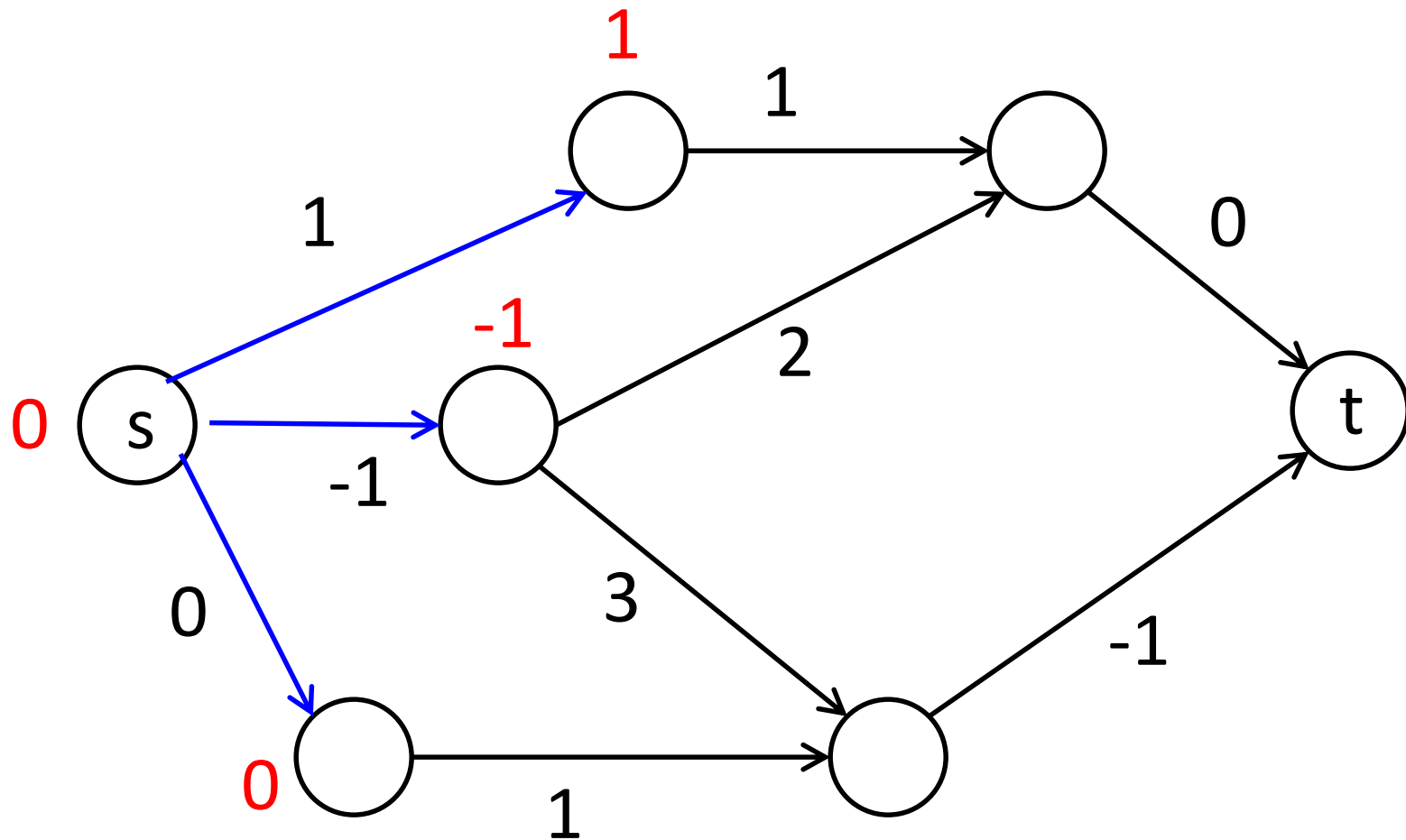
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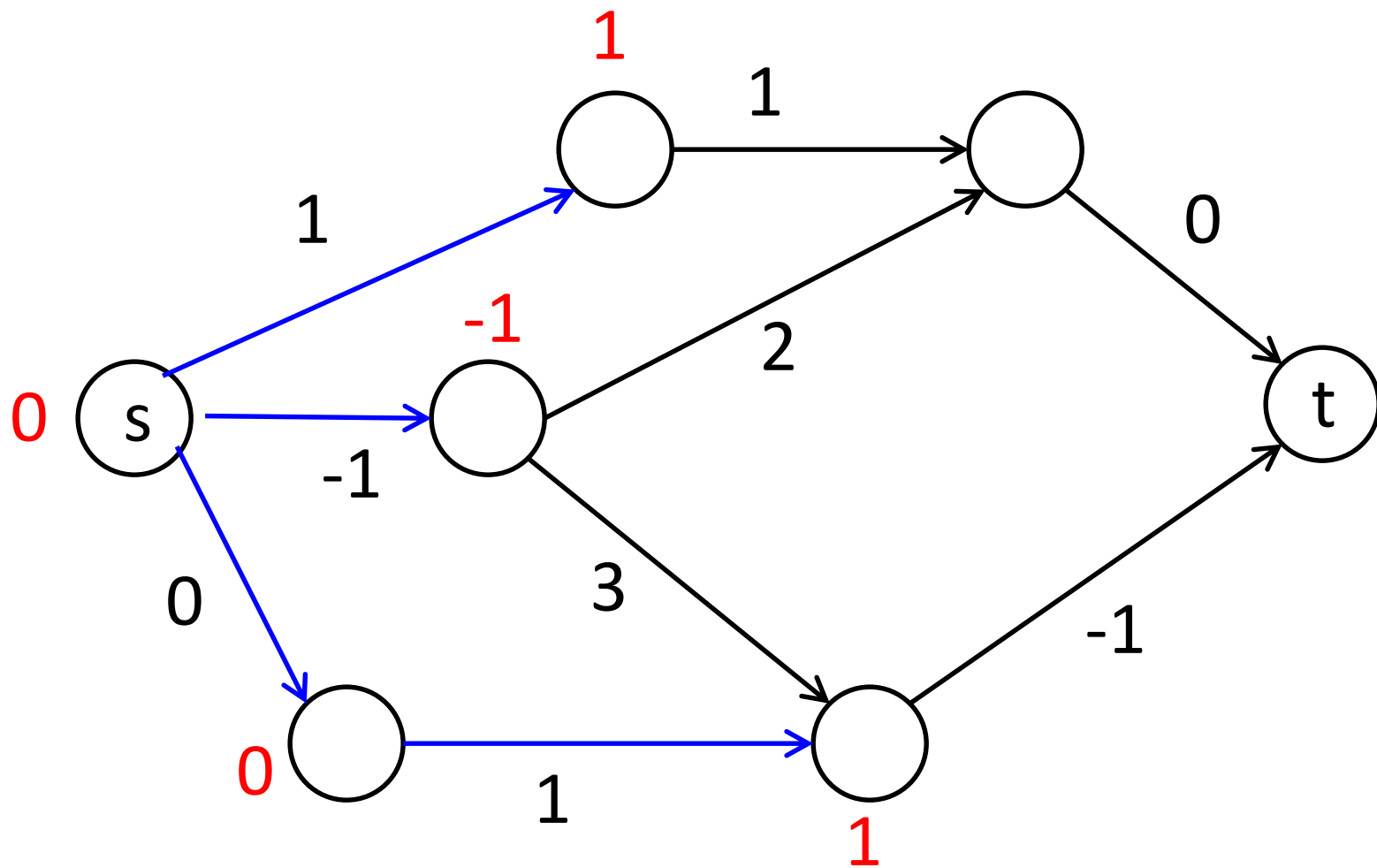
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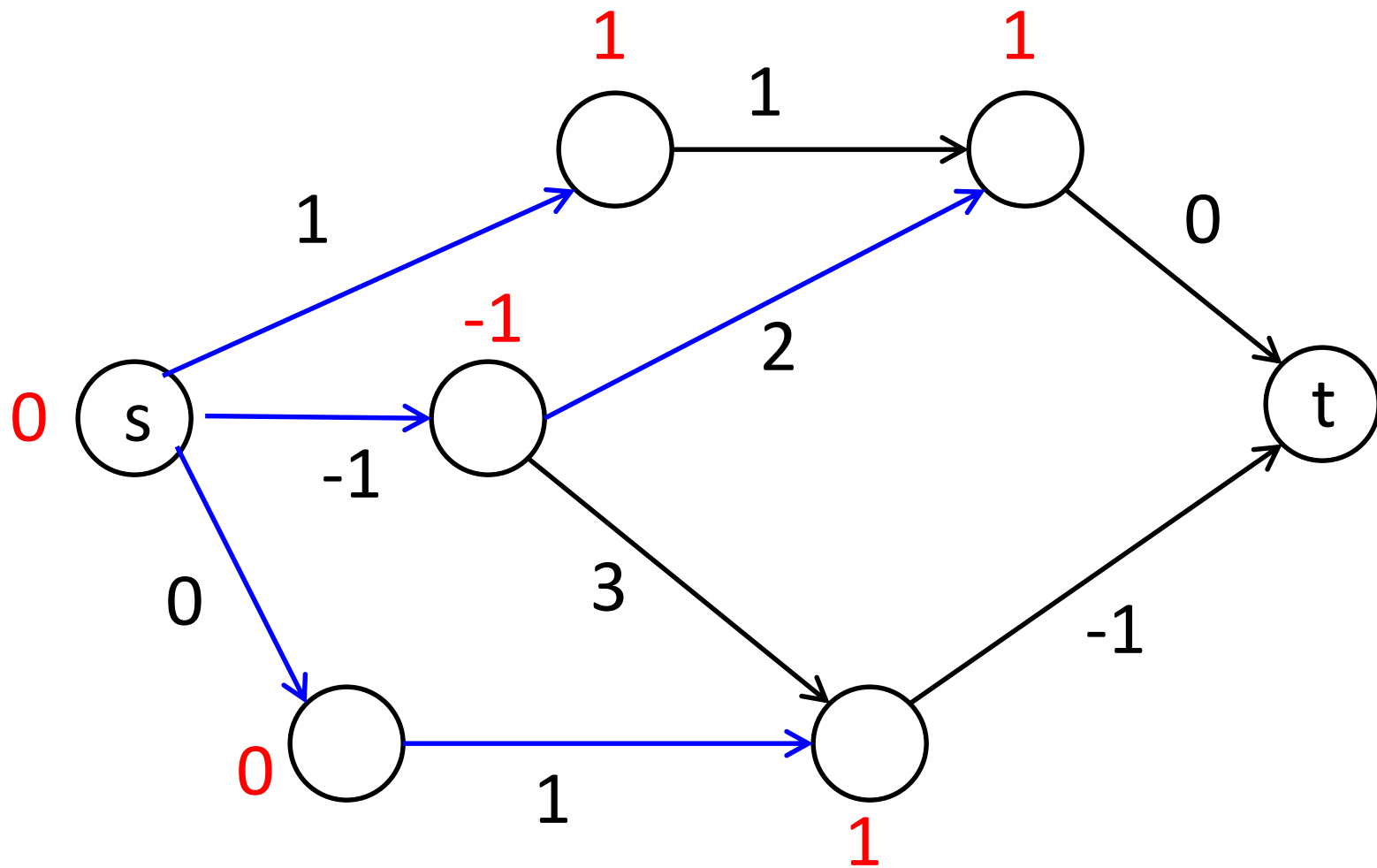
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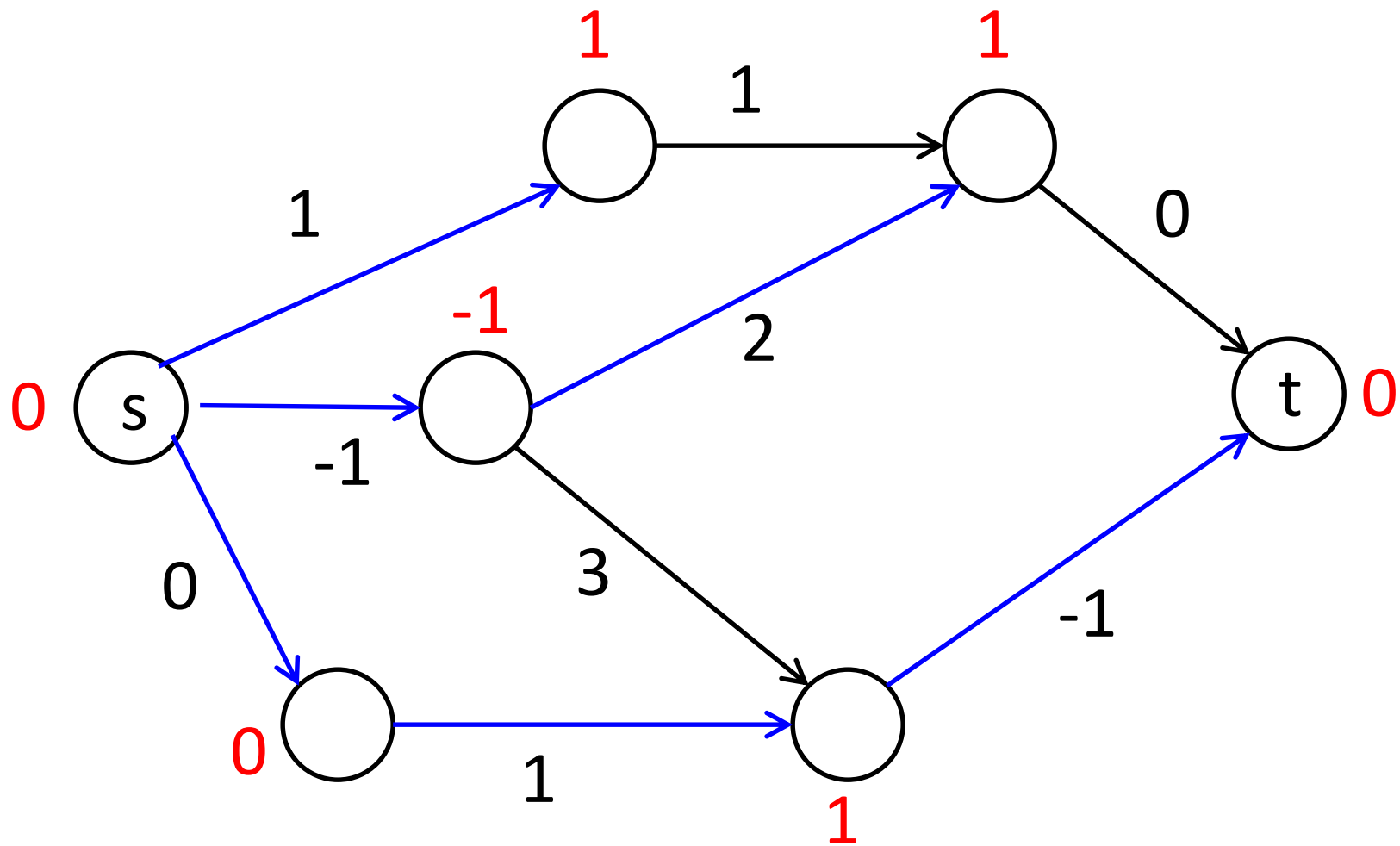
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Shortest Path Algorithms Summary

Unit Weights: Breadth First Search
 $O(|V| + |E|)$

Non-negative Weights: Dijkstra
 $O(|V| \log |V| + |E|)$

Arbitrary Weights: Bellman-Ford $O(|V| |E|)$

Arbitrary Weights, graph is a DAG:

Shortest-Paths-In-DAGs $O(|V| + |E|)$

Divide & Conquer (Ch 2)

- General Technique
- Master Theorem
- Karatsuba Multiplication
- Strassen's Algorithm
- Merge Sort
- Order Statistics
- Binary Search
- Closest Pair of Points

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Naïve Algorithm: Schoolboy multiplication. The binary version of the technique that you probably learned in elementary school.

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Need to write down $O(n^2)$ bits of numbers to add.
Addition can be done in linear time.