

# Algorithm Design and Analysis

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# This week's content

- Today Wednesday:
  - Chapter 26: Maximum Flow  
(only 26.1–26.3)
  - Exercises
- Tomorrow Thursday:
  - Exercise solutions
  - Chapter 34: NP-completeness  
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# 这周的内容

- 今天周三:
  - 第26章：最大流  
(仅26.1–26.3)
  - 练习
- 明天周四:
  - 练习题解答
  - 第34章：NP完全性  
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# Maximum Flow

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# 最大流

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Ch. 26

26章

# Weighted Graphs 权重的图

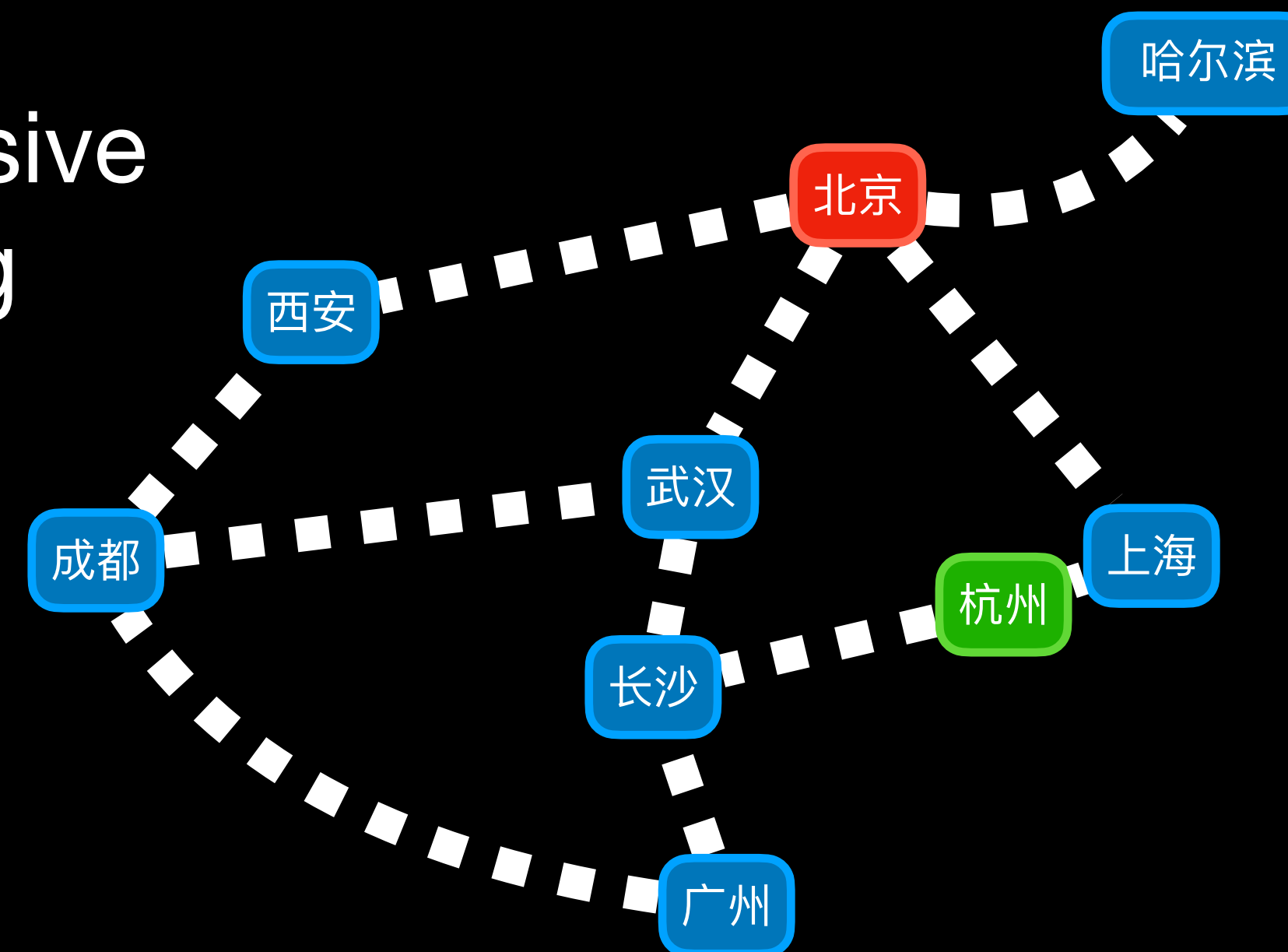
**Shortest Path 最短路径**

**Minimum Spanning Tree 最小生成树**

weight = length or cost of edge  
权重 = 边的长度或者代价

How far / how expensive  
is the trip from Beijing  
to Hangzhou?

What is the cheapest  
connected network?

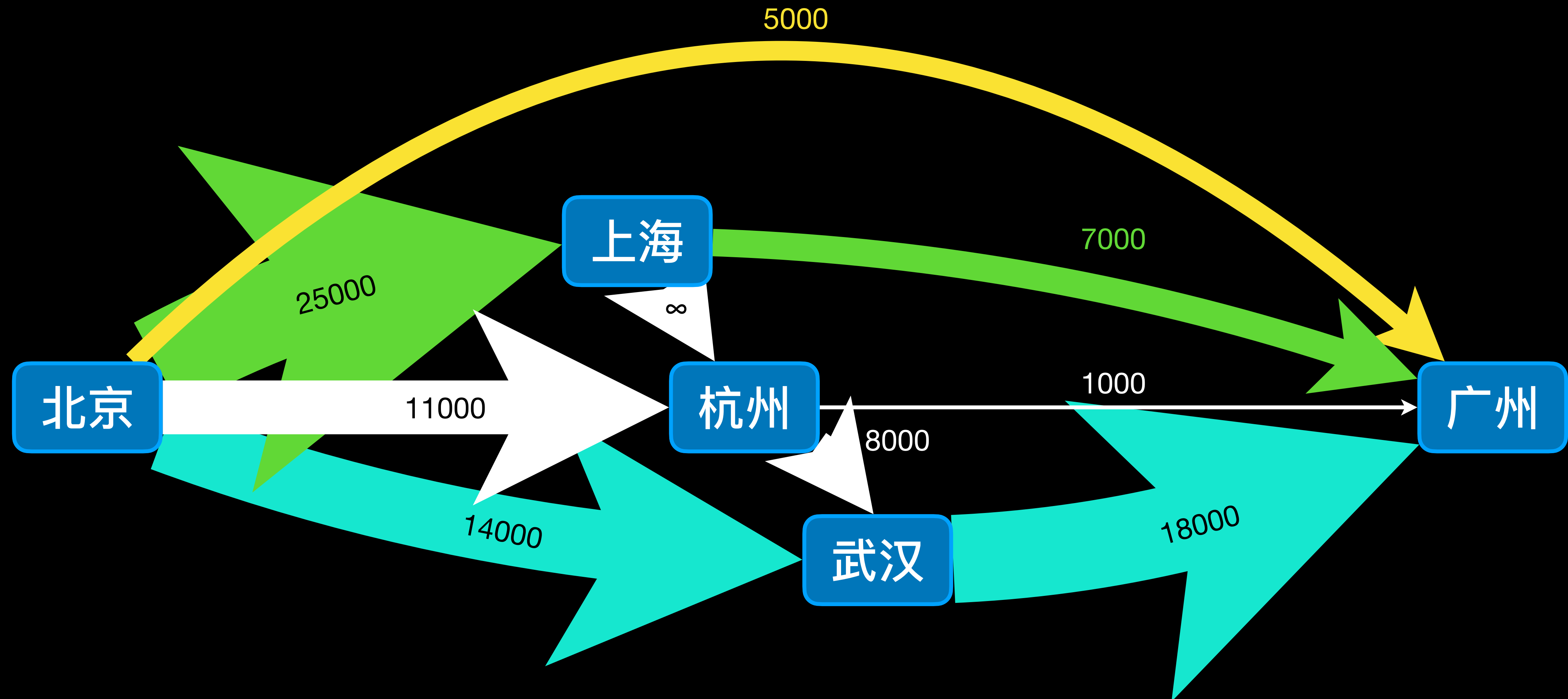


**Maximum Flow 最大流**

weight = capacity or width of edge  
权重 = 边的容量或者宽度

How many people  
can travel each day  
from Beijing  
to Guangzhou?

# How many people can travel?



# Flow Network

- weighted graph  $G = (V, E)$ :  
every edge has a capacity,  $c: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{>0} \cup \{\infty\}$ .  
(If there is no edge  $(u, v)$ , then  $c(u, v) = 0$ .)
- source  $s$  and sink  $t \in V$ .
- simplifying technical assumptions:
  - no edge in both directions  
 $(u, v) \in E \implies (v, u) \notin E$   
(= no antiparallel edges)
  - no self-loops  $(u, u) \notin E$
  - every vertex  $v$  is on a path from source to sink  $s \rightsquigarrow v \rightsquigarrow t$

# 流网络

- 权重的图  $G = (V, E)$ :  
每条边有个容量值,  $c: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{>0} \cup \{\infty\}$ .  
(如果没有边  $(u, v)$ , 定义  $c(u, v) = 0$ 。)
- 源点  $s$  和汇点  $t \in V$ 。
- 简化技术假设:
  - 没有两方向的边  $(u, v) \in E \implies (v, u) \notin E$   
(= 没有反平行边)
  - 没有自环  $(u, u) \notin E$
  - 所有的结点  $v$  有从源点到汇点的路径  
 $s \rightsquigarrow v \rightsquigarrow t$

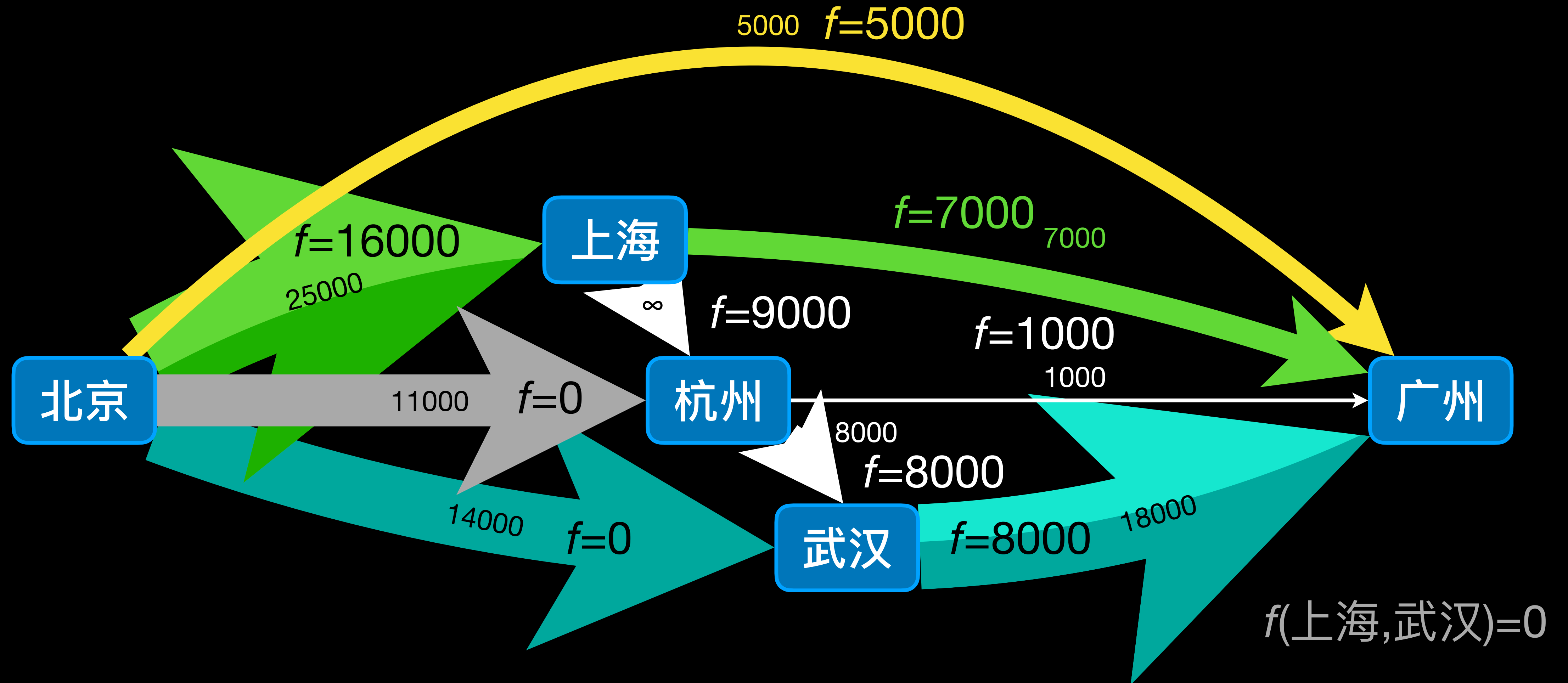
# (Network) Flow

- A flow  $f: V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{\geq 0} \cup \{\infty\}$  is a function that indicates how much material can flow through the network.
- **Capacity constraint:** for all  $u, v \in V$ , we have  $0 \leq f(u, v) \leq c(u, v)$ .
- **Flow conservation:** For all  $u \in V \setminus \{s, t\}$ , we have  $\sum_{v \in V} f(v, u) = \sum_{v \in V} f(u, v)$ .
- Value of the flow:  $|f| = \sum_{v \in V} f(s, v) - \sum_{v \in V} f(v, s)$ .
- Q: What is the maximum possible value of  $|f|$ ?

# (网络的) 流

- 流  $f: V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{\geq 0} \cup \{\infty\}$  是一个表示多少物质可以流过网络的函数。
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- **流量守恒:** 对于所有  $u \in V \setminus \{s, t\}$ , 我们有  $\sum_{v \in V} f(v, u) = \sum_{v \in V} f(u, v)$ 。
- 流的值:  $|f| = \sum_{v \in V} f(s, v) - \sum_{v \in V} f(v, s)$ 。
- 问:  $|f|$  的最大可能值是多少?

# Flow Example



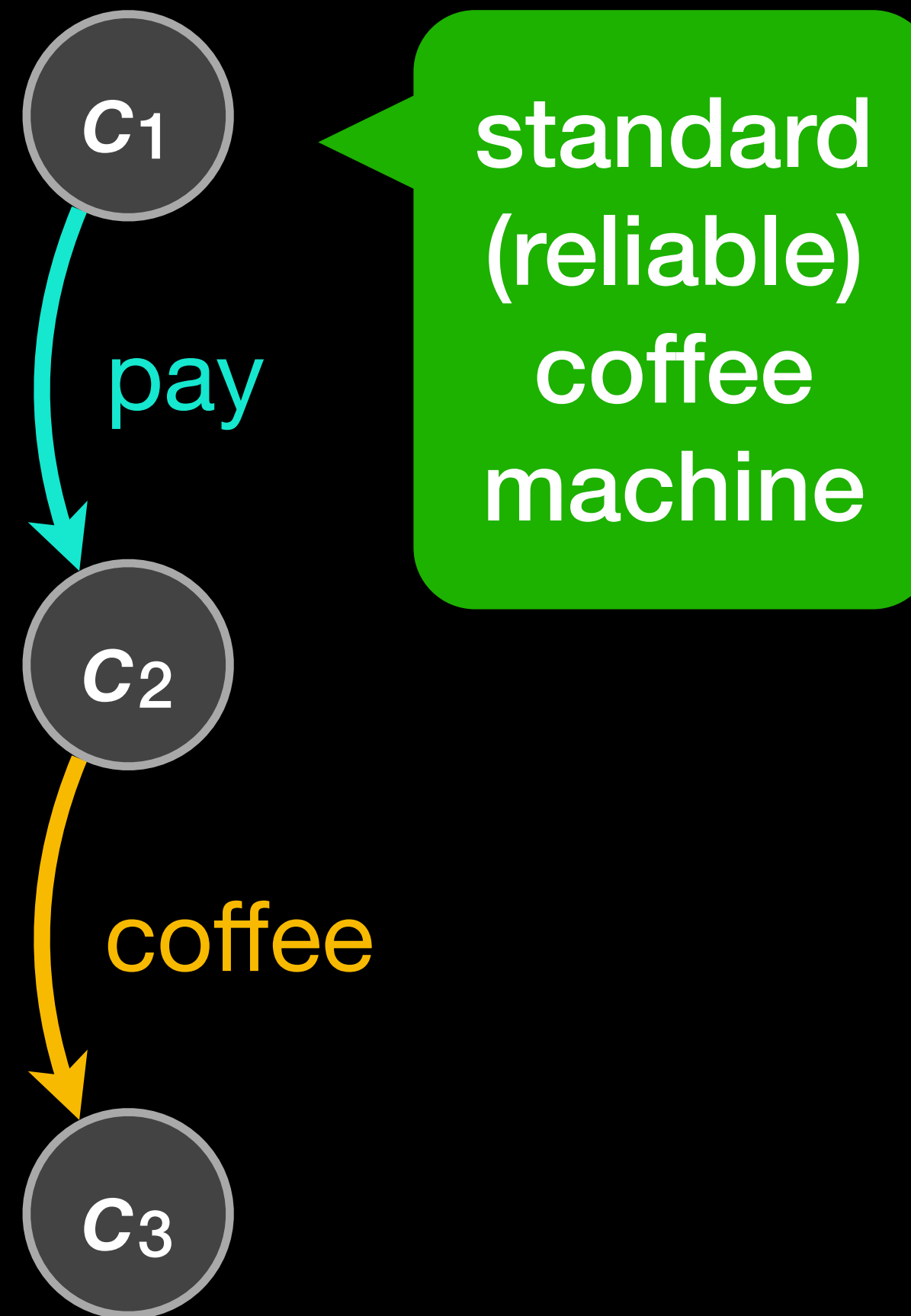


# Example: Simulation Relation 类似关系

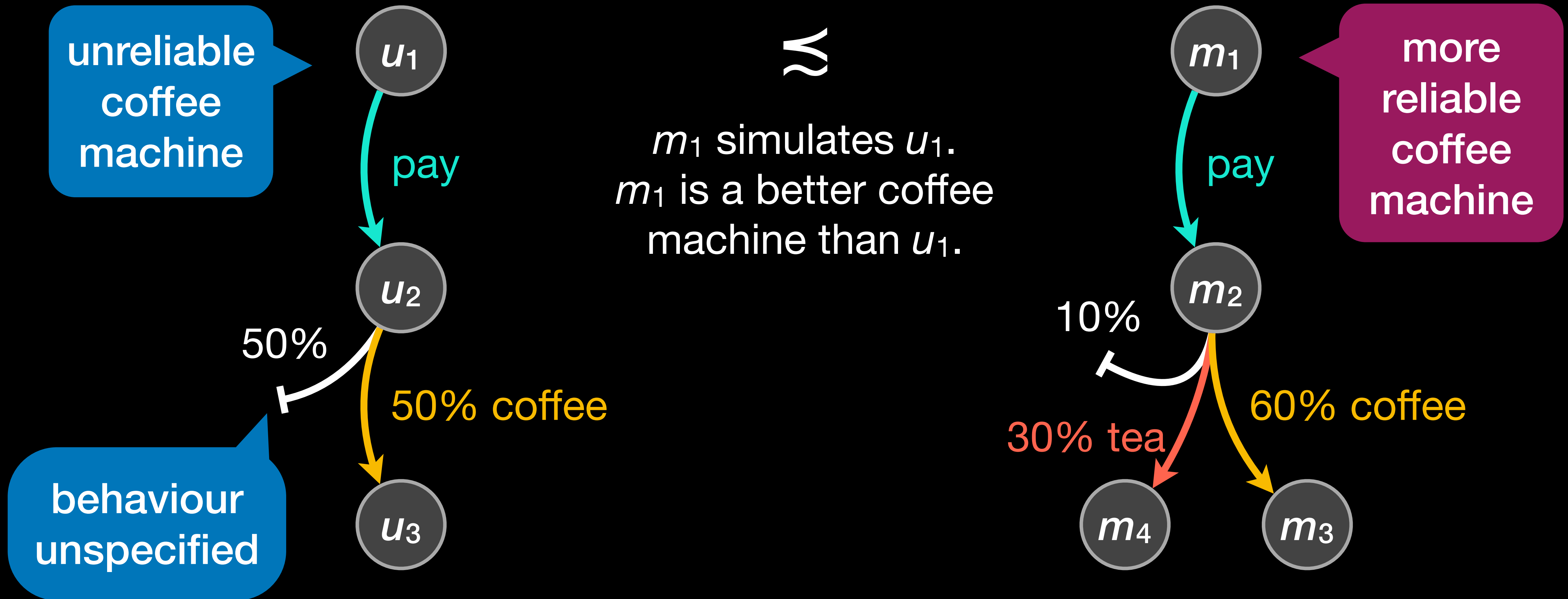
- Simulation relations compare behaviour models.  
They answer the question “Can *Impl* do everything that *Spec* can do?”
- They are a way to describe whether an implementation satisfies the specification:  
If the implementation can do everything required by the specification, the system is correct.
- Probabilistic simulation relation

Zhang, Lijun; Jansen, David N.: **A space-efficient simulation algorithm on probabilistic automata.**  
*Information and computation* 249, 2016. pp. 138–159. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.ic.2016.04.002>

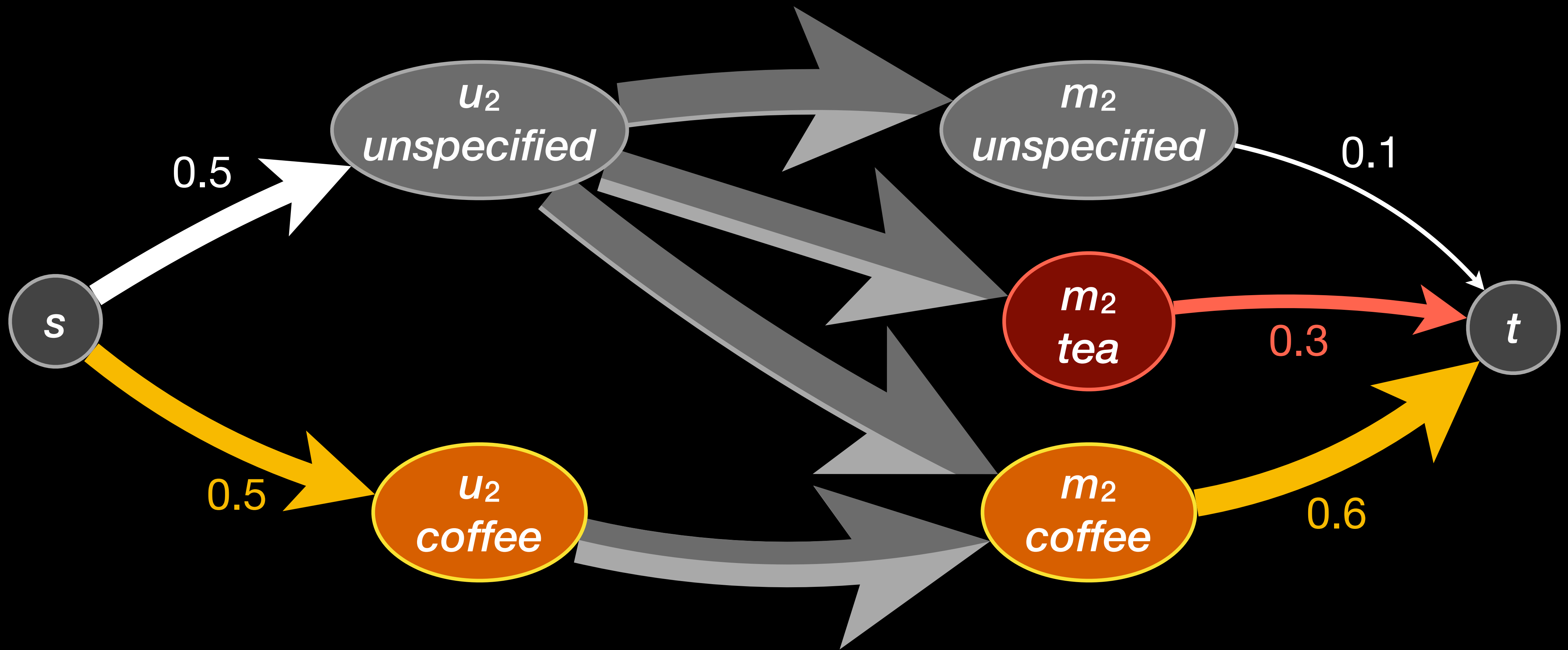
# Reliable Coffee Machine



# Unreliable Coffee Machines 摩卡墨彩



# Coffee Machine Comparison



This network has a flow with value 1, so we have  $u_2 \preceq m_2$ .

# Overview

- **Ford–Fulkerson**

Idea: The method keeps a legal flow  $f$  and tries to improve it.

Augmenting path =  
path from  $s$  to  $t$  that can carry  
more flow than currently in  $f$ .

- **Edmonds–Karp**

Idea: Choose shortest augmenting  
paths to improve running time.

# 概述

- **Ford–Fulkerson**

理念：方法保持法律流  $f$   
并试改进它。

增广路径 = 从  $s$  到  $t$  的路径，  
可以承载比  $f$  中当前  
更多的流量。

- **Edmonds–Karp**

理念：选择最短的增加路径  
改进运行时间。

# Ford–Fulkerson

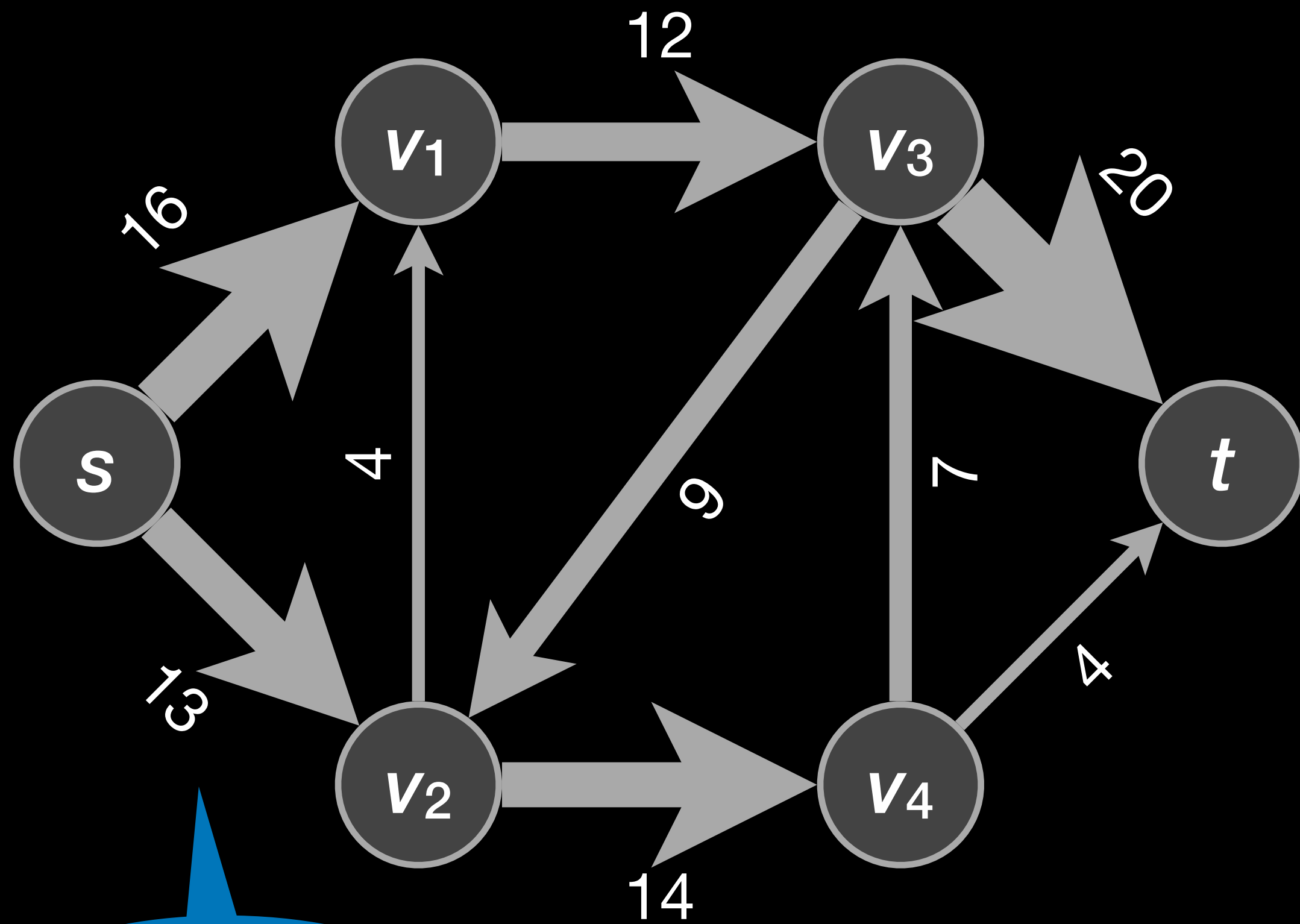
- Idea: Assume given always a legal flow  $f$ . This flow may not yet exhaust the capacity of the network. If possible, improve it.
- Try to find an **augmenting path**, i.e. a path from  $s$  to  $t$  that can carry more flow than currently in  $f$ .
- To find an augmenting path, use the **residual network**. This network indicates how  $f$  can be changed.
- 想法：假设总是有一个法律流  $f$ 。这种流量可能还没有耗尽网络的容量。如果可能的话，改进它。
- 尝试找到一条**增广路径**，即从  $s$  到  $t$  的路径，该路径可以承载比当前  $f$  中更多的流量。
- 要找到增广路径，使用**残存网络**。此网络指示如何更改  $f$ 。

# Ford–Fulkerson

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FORD-FULKERSON( $G, c, s, t$ )  
  initialize flow  $f$  to 0  
  while there exists an augmenting path  $p$  in the residual network  $G_f$   
    augment  $f$  by  $p$   
  return  $f$ 
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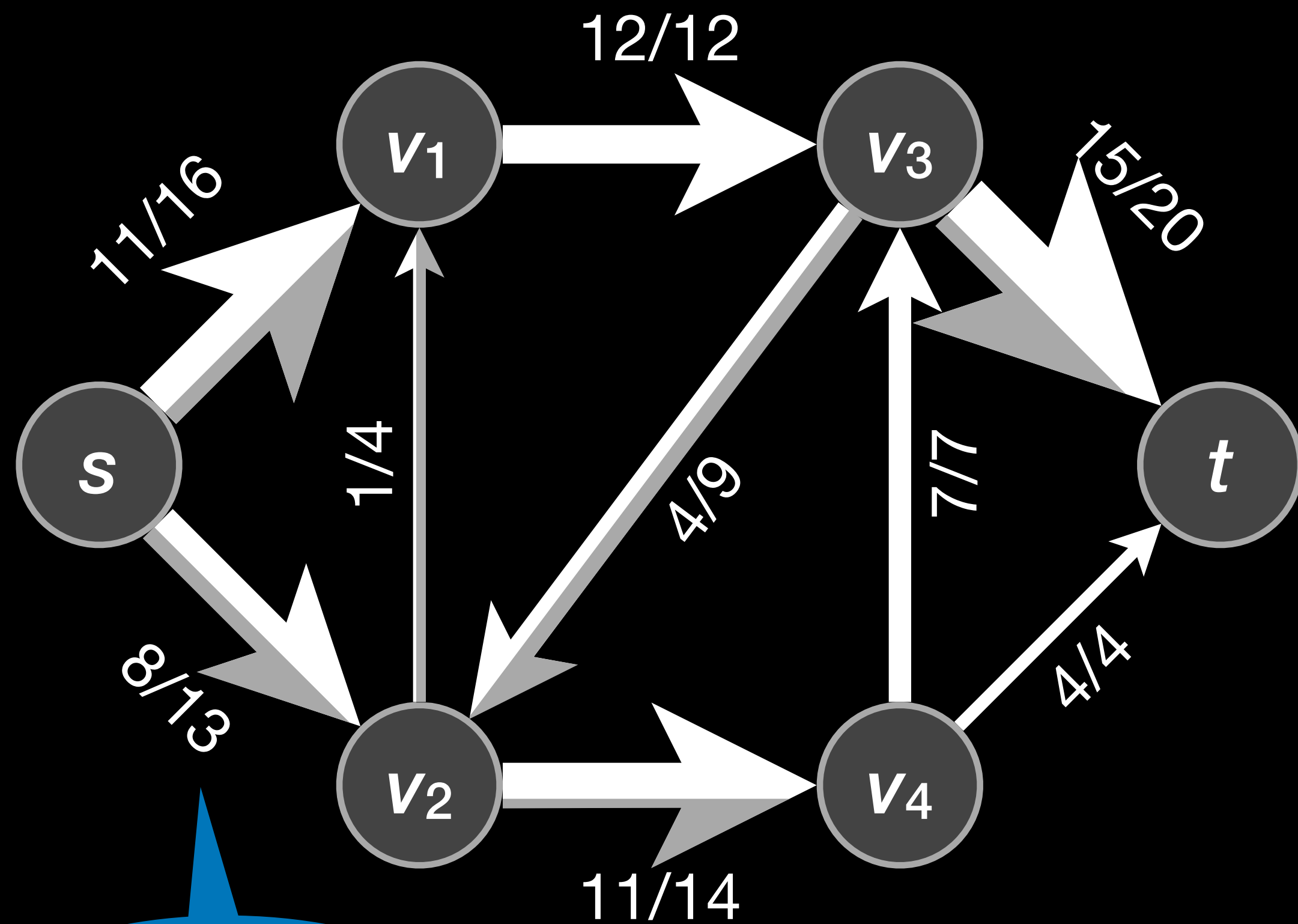
# Residual Network 残存网络



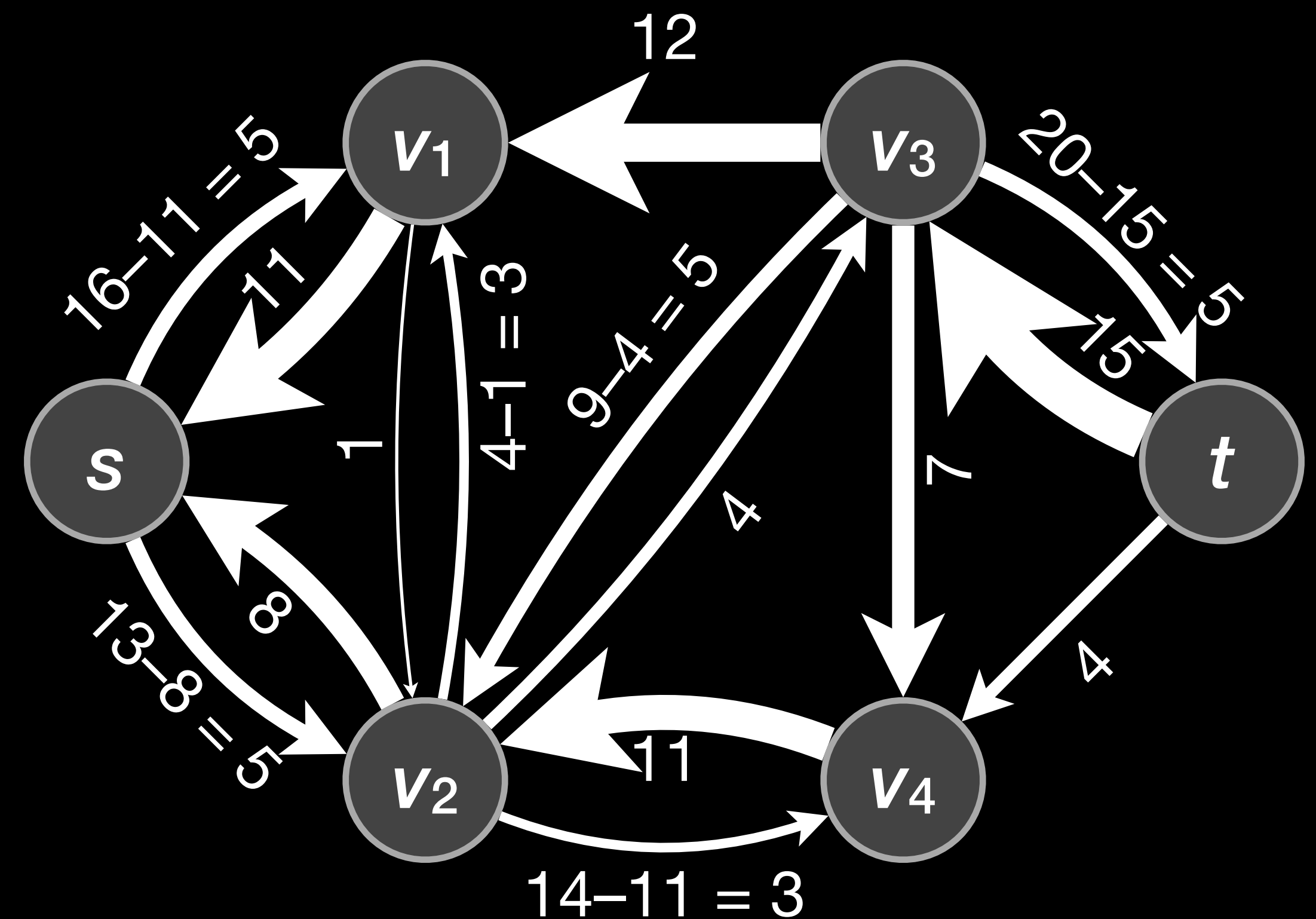
$$c(s, v_2) = 13$$



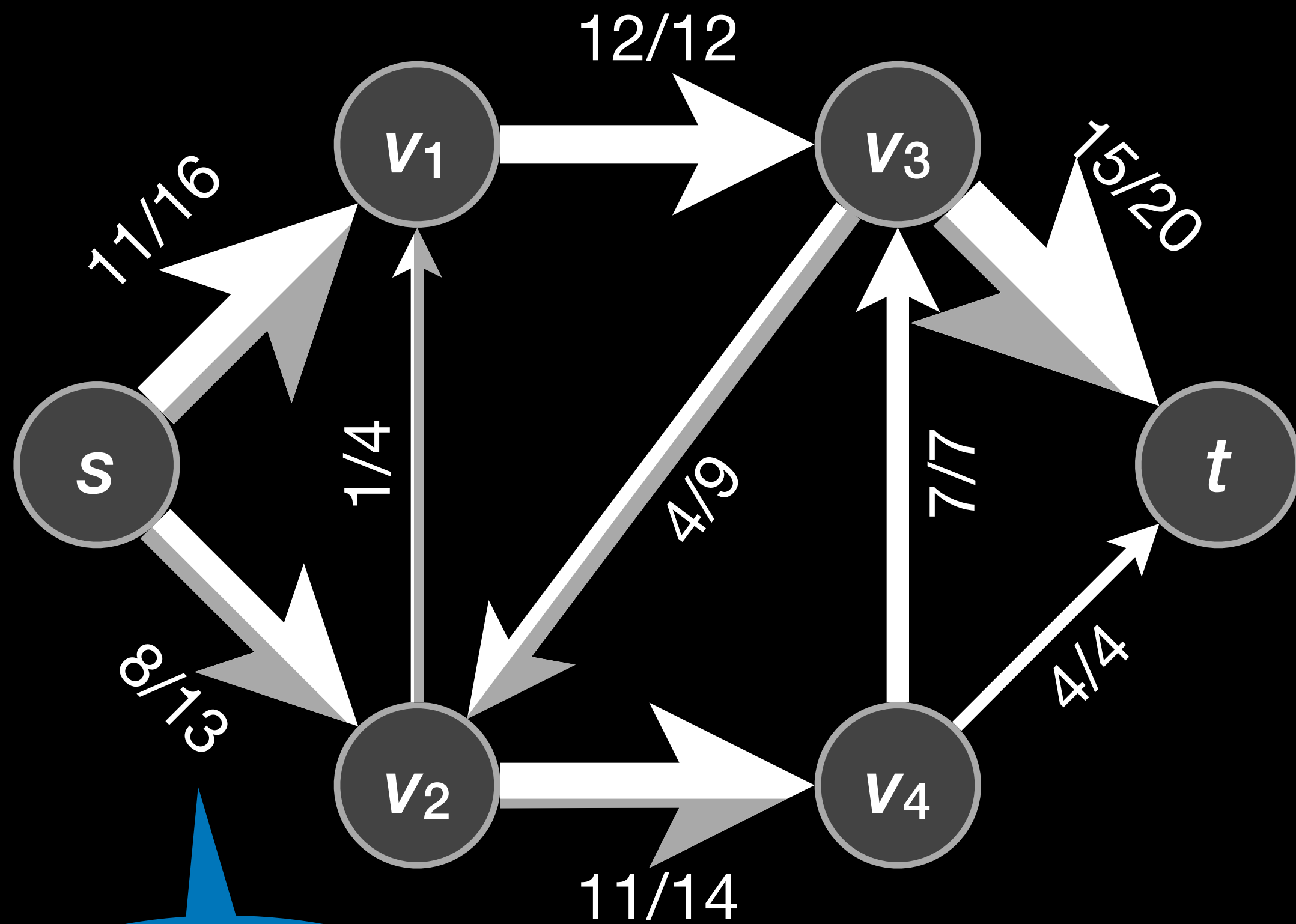
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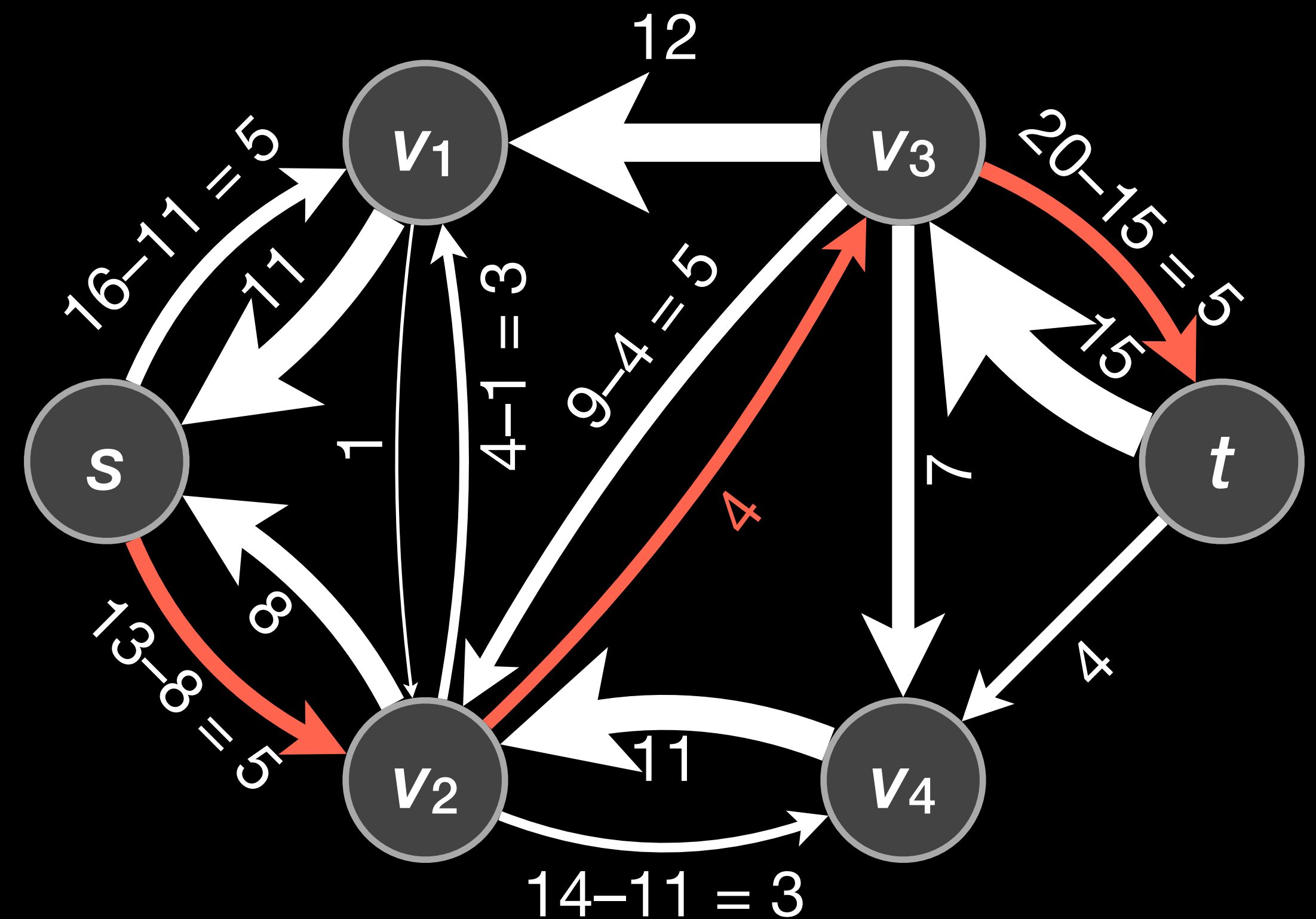
$c(s, v_2) = 13$   
 $f(s, v_2) = 8$



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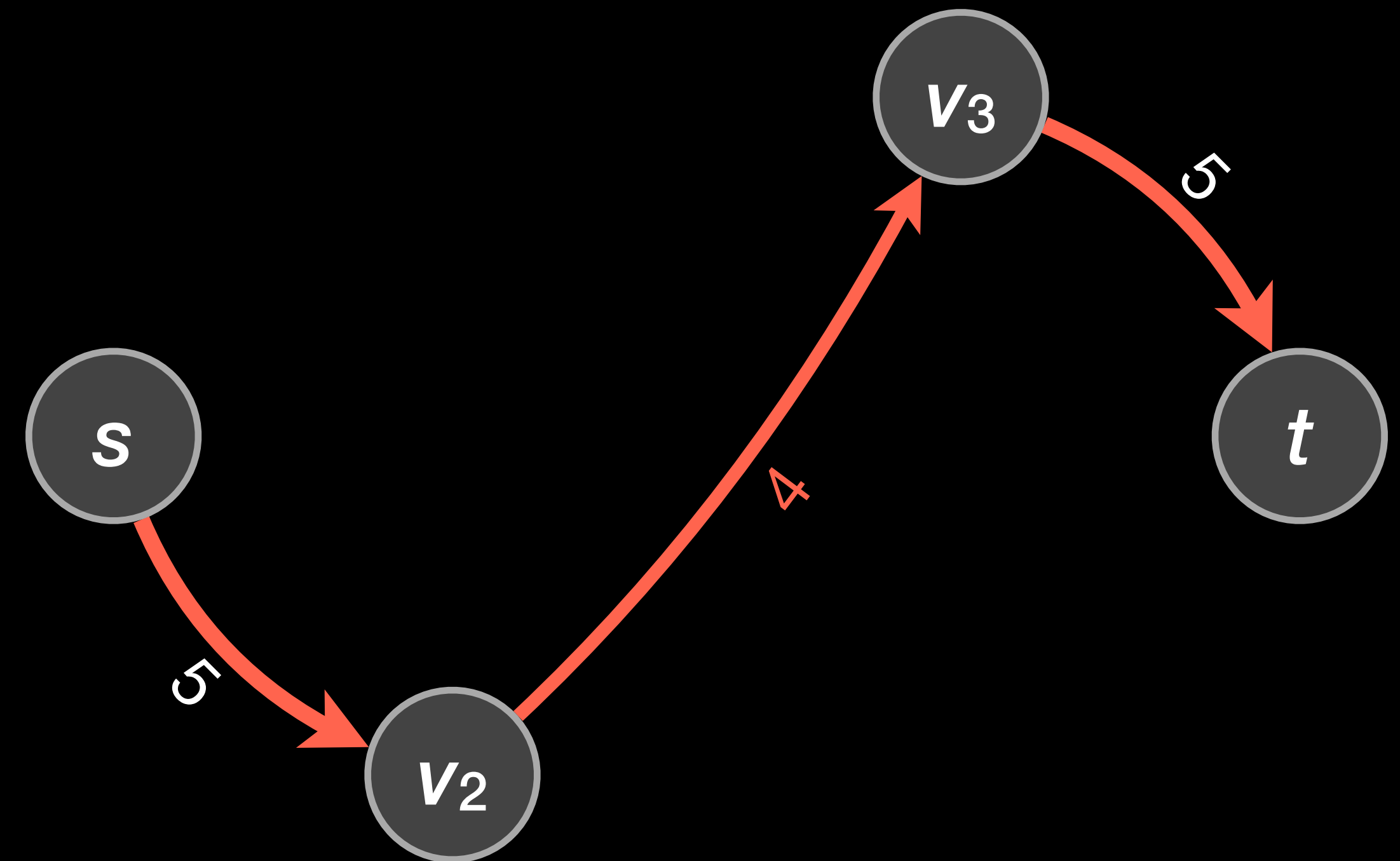
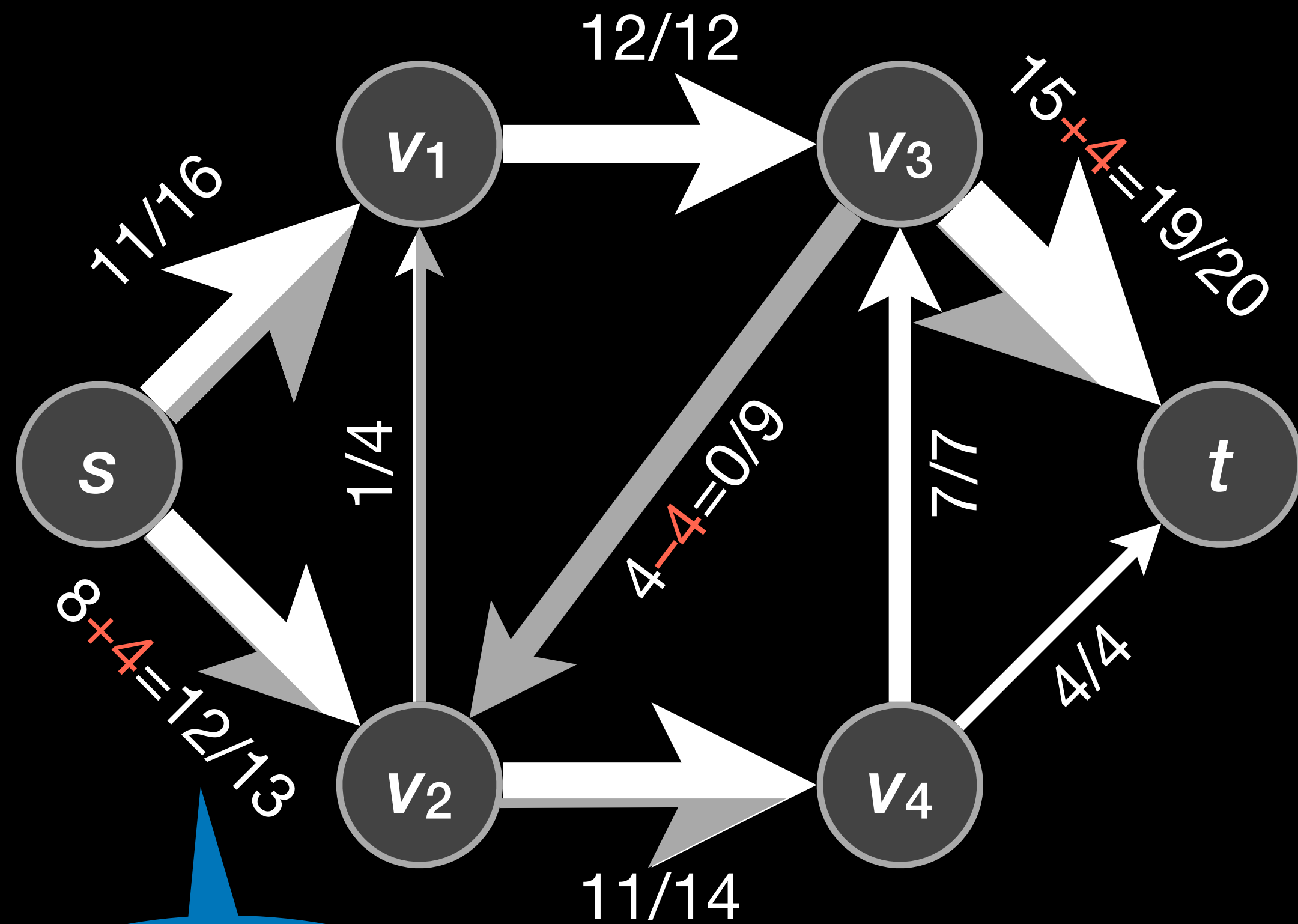


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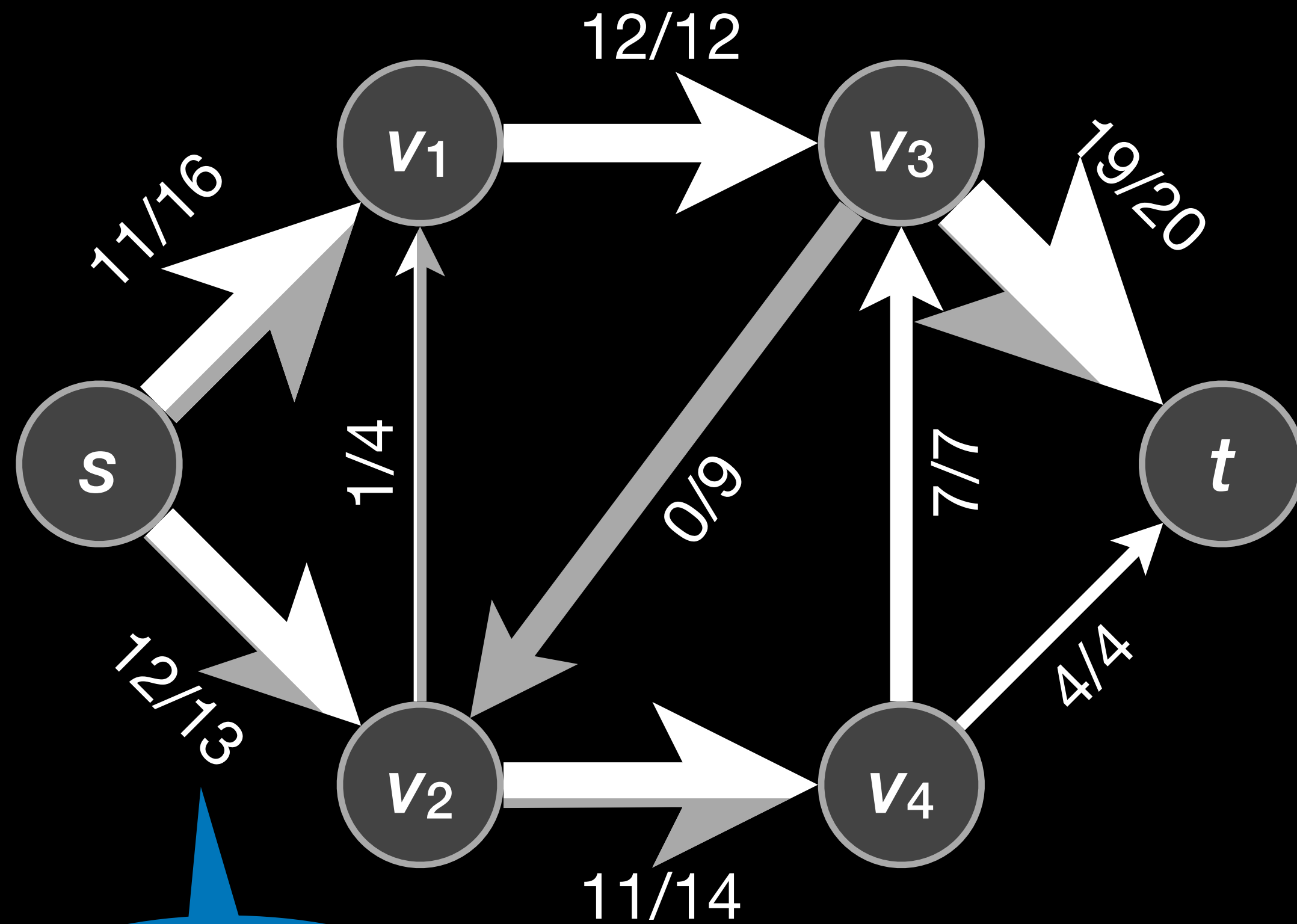


The red path is an augmenting path with capacity 4.  
红色的路径是容量4的增广路径。

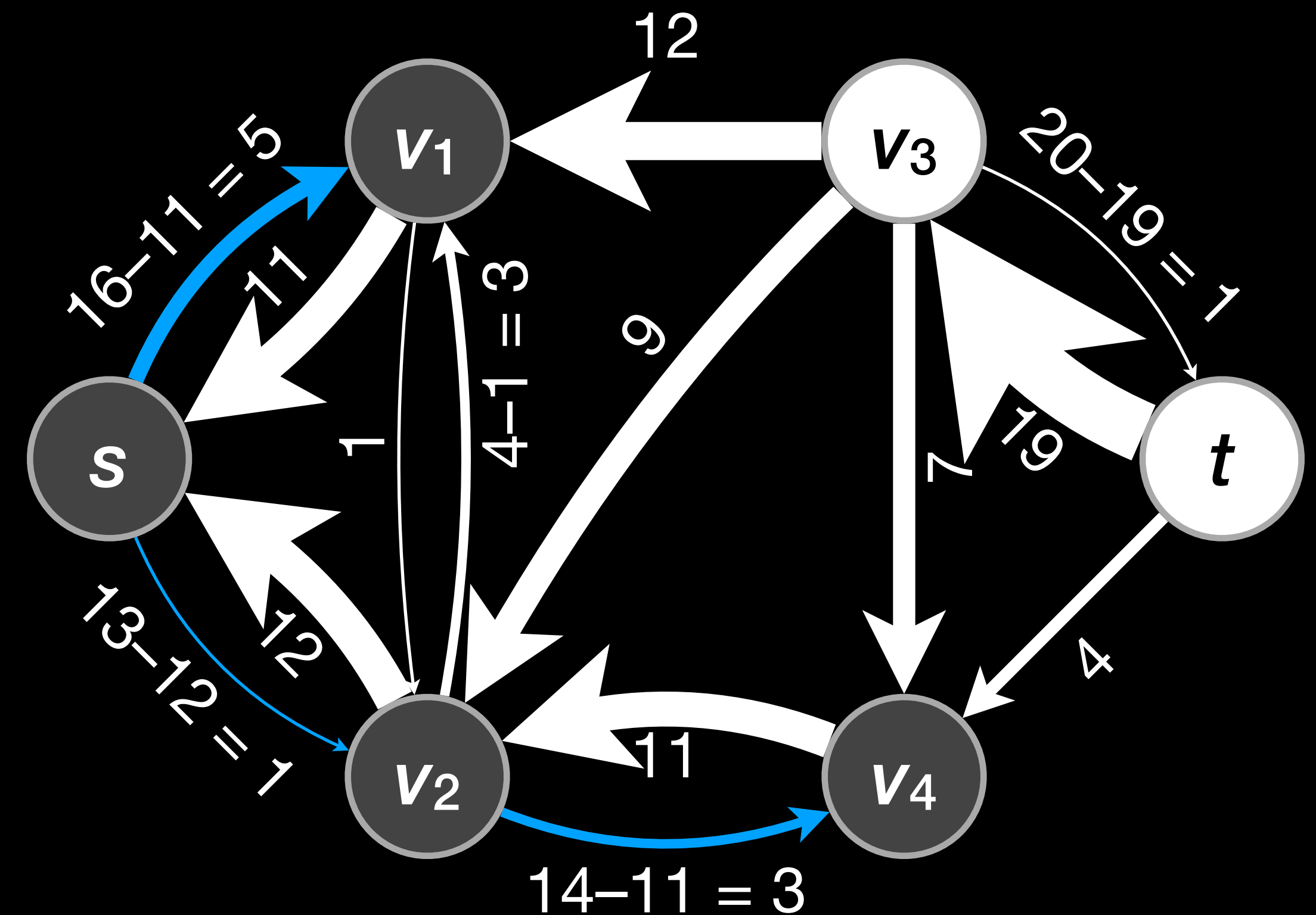
# Augmentation 递增



# New Residual Network 残存网络



$c(s, v_2) = 13$   
 $f(s, v_2) = 12$



No more augmenting paths  
增广路径没有了

# Residual Network

- For flow network  $G = ((V,E),c)$  and network flow  $f$ , the residual network  $G_f = ((V,E_f),c_f)$  contains the same vertices  $V$  as the flow network and all edges and antiparallel edges  $E_f = E \cup \{(v,u) \mid (u,v) \in E\}$ .
- The edges have capacity:  
 $c_f(u,v) = c(u,v) - f(u,v)$  if  $(u,v) \in E$ ;  
 $c_f(u,v) = f(v,u)$  if  $(v,u) \in E$ .
- A residual network is almost a flow network —only there can be antiparallel edges.

# 残存网络

- 对于流网络  $G = ((V,E),c)$  和网络流  $f$ , 残存网络  $G_f = ((V,E_f),c_f)$  包含与流网络相同的顶点  $V$ , 以及所有边和反平行边  $E_f = E \cup \{(v,u) \mid (u,v) \in E\}$ 。
- 边的容量定义:  
 $c_f(u,v) = c(u,v) - f(u,v)$  如果  $(u,v) \in E$ ;  
 $c_f(u,v) = f(v,u)$  如果  $(v,u) \in E$ 。
- 残存网络几乎就是流网络——只有反平行边能存在。

# Augmenting Path

- A flow  $f'$  in the residual network  $G_f$  can be used to augment flow  $f$ .  
 $(f \uparrow f')(u,v) = f(u,v) + f'(u,v) - f'(v,u)$
- An augmenting path is a simple flow in  $G_f$ —all the flow is on one path from  $s$  to  $t$ .
- Why augmenting paths?  
Easy to find with breadth-first search or depth-first search.

# 增广路径

- 残存网络  $G_f$  中的流  $f'$  可以用于递增流  $f$ 。  
 $(f \uparrow f')(u,v) = f(u,v) + f'(u,v) - f'(v,u)$
- 增广路径是  $G_f$  中的一个简单流—完全的流动都在独一条从  $s$  到  $t$  的路径上。
- 为什么使用增广路径？  
容易找到用于广度优先搜索或者深度优先搜索。

# Questions

- Is every augmentation  $f \uparrow f'$  a correct flow?  
i.e., does it satisfy the capacity constraint and flow conservation?
- How can we find augmenting paths?
- Will the method terminate?  
Will the final result be a correct maximum flow?
- How efficient is the method?

# 问一问

- 所有的递增  $f \uparrow f'$  都是否正确的流?  
即, 是否满足容量限制和流量守恒?
- 怎么样找到增广路径?
- 这种方法终止吗?  
最终结果是正确的最大流吗?
- 这种方法的效率有多高?



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- Proof of **capacity constraints**:

Assume that  $(u,v)$  is in  $E$ .

Then  $f(u,v) = c_f(v,u) \geq f'(v,u)$ , and so

$$\begin{aligned}(f \uparrow f')(u,v) &= f(u,v) + f'(u,v) - f'(v,u) \\ &\geq \cancel{f(u,v)} + f'(u,v) - \cancel{f(u,v)} \\ &\geq 0.\end{aligned}$$

# 递增 $f \uparrow f'$ 是否正确?

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- 证明**容量限制**:

假设  $(u,v) \in E$ 。

$$\begin{aligned}(f \uparrow f')(u,v) &= f(u,v) + f'(u,v) - f'(v,u) \\ &\leq f(u,v) + f'(u,v) \\ &\leq f(u,v) + c_f(u,v) \\ &= \cancel{f(u,v)} + c(u,v) - \cancel{f(u,v)}.\end{aligned}$$



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- Proof of **flow conservation**:

Assume given any vertex  $u \in V$ .

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because of

$$\sum_{v \in V_{out}(u)} (f \uparrow f')(u,v) - \sum_{v \in V_{in}(u)} (f \uparrow f')(v,u) = \sum_{v \in V_{out}(u)} f(u,v) - \sum_{v \in V_{in}(u)} f(v,u) + \sum_{v \in V_{out}(u)} f'(u,v) - \sum_{v \in V_{in}(u)} f'(v,u)$$

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- 证明**流量守恒**:

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因为

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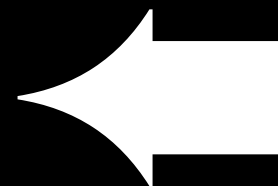
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$$\underbrace{\sum_{v \in V} (f \uparrow f')(u,v) - \sum_{v \in V} (f \uparrow f')(v,u)}_{\text{flow conservation of } f \uparrow f'} = \underbrace{\sum_{v \in V} f(u,v) - \sum_{v \in V} f(v,u)}_{= 0 \text{ (if } u \neq s,t \text{) because of flow conservation of } f} + \underbrace{\sum_{v \in V} f'(u,v) - \sum_{v \in V} f'(v,u)}_{= 0 \text{ (if } u \neq s,t \text{) because of flow conservation of } f'}$$

flow conservation  
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= 0 (if  $u \neq s,t$ )  
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- Proof of the **flow value equation**:

Specialize this equation with  $u = s$ .

$$\underbrace{\sum_{v \in V} (f \uparrow f')(s, v) - \sum_{v \in V} (f \uparrow f')(v, s)}_{= |f \uparrow f'|} = \underbrace{\sum_{v \in V} f(s, v) - \sum_{v \in V} f(v, s)}_{= |f|} + \underbrace{\sum_{v \in V} f'(s, v) - \sum_{v \in V} f'(v, s)}_{= |f'|}$$

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- 证明**流值等价**:

使用  $u = s$  专门化这个等价。

# How to find augmenting paths

- Ford and Fulkerson (1962) did not prescribe a specific method. One can use depth-first search or breadth-first search, or any other suitable method to find a path.
- Augmenting paths – instead of general augmenting flows – are used because they are easier to find.
- Many practical implementations use breadth-first search anyway. Edmonds and Karp (1972) proved that this is efficient.

# 怎么样找到增广路径

- Ford 和 Fulkerson (1962) 没有规定具体的方法。可以使用深度优先搜索或广度优先搜索，或任何其他合适的方法来找到路径。
- 使用增广路径，而不是一般的增广流，因为它们更容易找到。
- 无论如何，许多实际实现使用广度优先搜索。Edmonds 和 Karp (1972) 证明了这是有效的。

# Partial Correctness

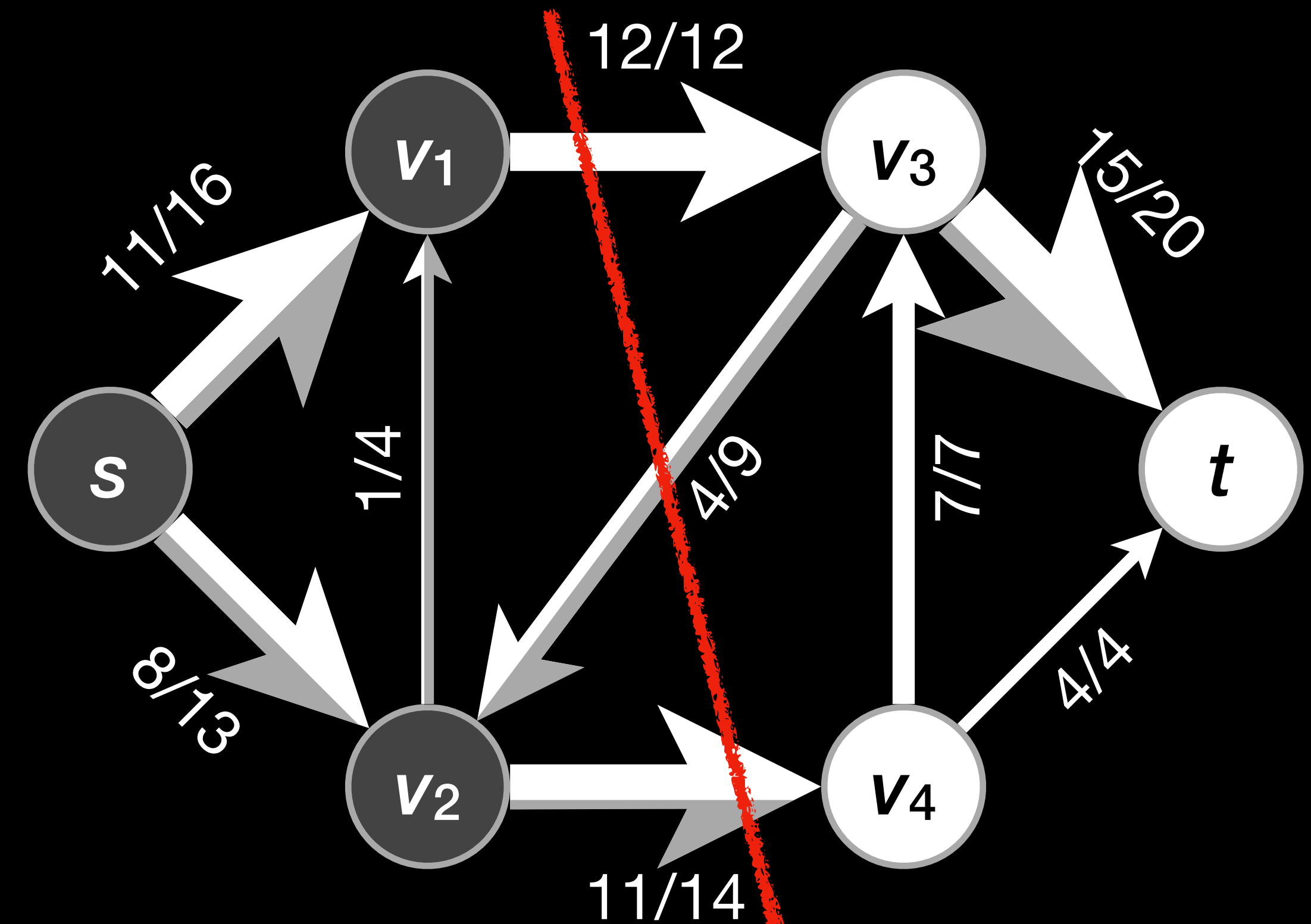
- When the algorithm terminates, is the returned flow a **maximum** flow?
- Proof idea: When there is no augmenting path in  $G_f$ , then  $|f|$  is the capacity of a minimum cut, and then  $f$  is a maximum flow.
- uses the **max-flow min-cut theorem**:  
The value of a maximum flow is equal to the capacity of a minimum cut.

# 部分正确性

- 当算法终止时，返回的流是**最大流**吗？
- 证明思想：当 $G_f$ 中没有增广路径时， $|f|$ 是最小切割的容量， $f$ 是最大流。
- 使用**最大流最小割定理**：  
最大流的值等于最小切割的容量。

# Cut 切割 of a Flow Network

- A cut separates the vertices into  $S (\ni s)$  and  $T = V \setminus S (\ni t)$ .
- Net flow across the cut:  
$$f(S,T) = \sum_{u \in S} \sum_{v \in T} f(u,v) - f(v,u)$$
- Capacity of the cut:  
$$c(S,T) = \sum_{u \in S} \sum_{v \in T} c(u,v)$$
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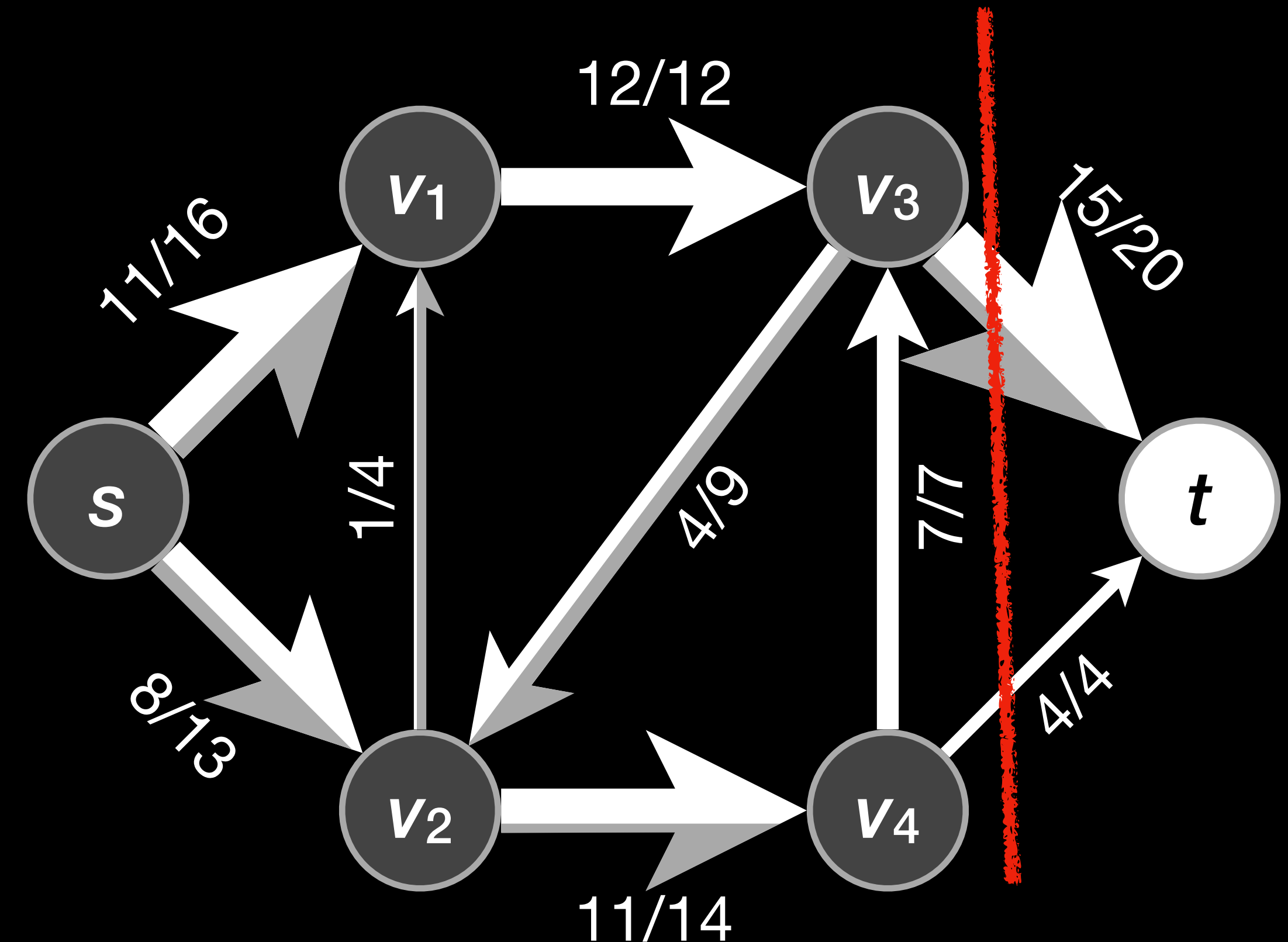


$$\begin{aligned} f(S,T) &= 12 - 4 + 11 = 19 \\ c(S,T) &= 12 + 14 = 26 \end{aligned}$$



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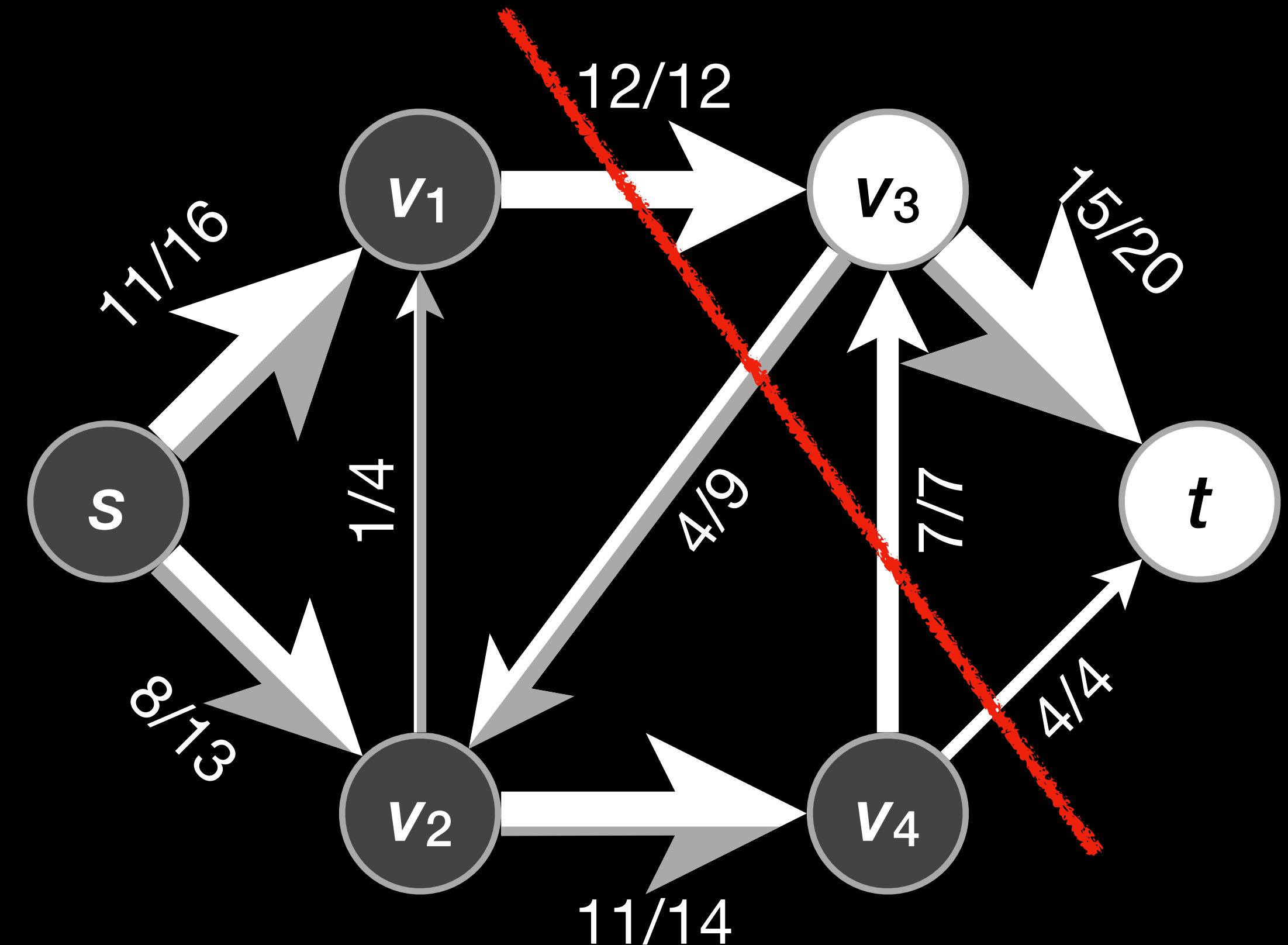
$$f(S,T) = 15 + 4 = 19$$
$$c(S,T) = 20 + 4 = 24$$

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$$f(S,T) = \sum_{u \in S} \sum_{v \in T} f(u,v) - f(v,u)$$
- Capacity of the cut:  

$$c(S,T) = \sum_{u \in S} \sum_{v \in T} c(u,v)$$
- Difference is intended: capacity = possible maximum net flow (if we neglect other restrictions)



$$f(S,T) = 12 - 4 + 7 + 4 = 19$$

$$c(S,T) = 12 + 7 + 4 = 23$$

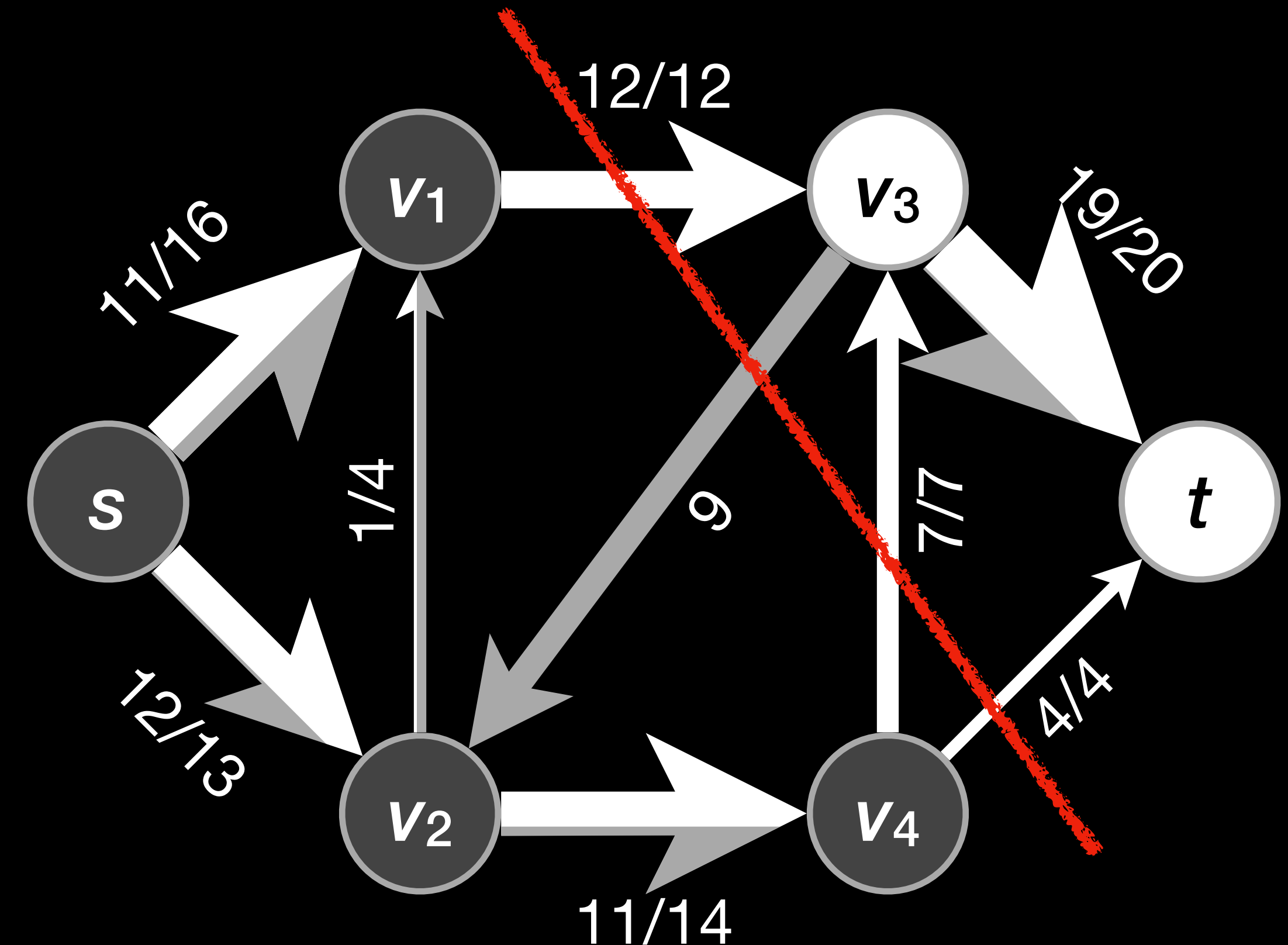


# Cut 切割 of a Flow Network

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 f(S,T) & = & 12 \quad + 7 + 4 = 23 \\
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 \end{array}$$

# All Net Flows Are Equal

Lemma 26.4: Let  $(G = (V, E), c)$  be a flow network and  $f$  a flow in it.  
Let  $(S, V \setminus S)$  be a cut of the flow network.  
Then  $f(S, V \setminus S) = |f|$ .

Proof: By induction on the number of vertices in  $S$ .

- Base case:  $S = \{s\}$ . By the definition of  $|f|$ , we have  $|f| = f(\{s\}, V \setminus \{s\})$ .
- Induction step: Let  $S' = S \cup \{x\}$ . We already know that  $|f| = f(S, V \setminus S)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f(S', V \setminus S') &= \sum_{u \in S'} \sum_{v \in V \setminus S'} f(u, v) - f(v, u) \\ &= \sum_{u \in S} \sum_{v \in V \setminus S} f(u, v) - f(v, u) + \sum_{v \in V \setminus S'} f(x, v) - f(v, x) - \sum_{u \in S} f(u, x) - f(x, u) \\ &= f(S, V \setminus S) = |f|. \end{aligned}$$

# Max-Flow Min-Cut Theorem 最大流最小切割定理

- Based on the Lemma, we can conclude that the maximum flow must be  $\leq$  the minimum cut.
- Theorem 26.6: Assume given a flow network  $(G = (V, E), c)$  and a flow  $f$  in it. Then, the following are equivalent:
  - (1)  $f$  is a maximum flow in  $G$ .
  - (2) The residual network  $G_f$  contains no augmenting paths.
  - (3) There exists a cut  $(S, T)$  in  $G$  such that  $|f| = c(S, T)$ .
- So, by this theorem, we have that the maximum flow = the minimum cut.

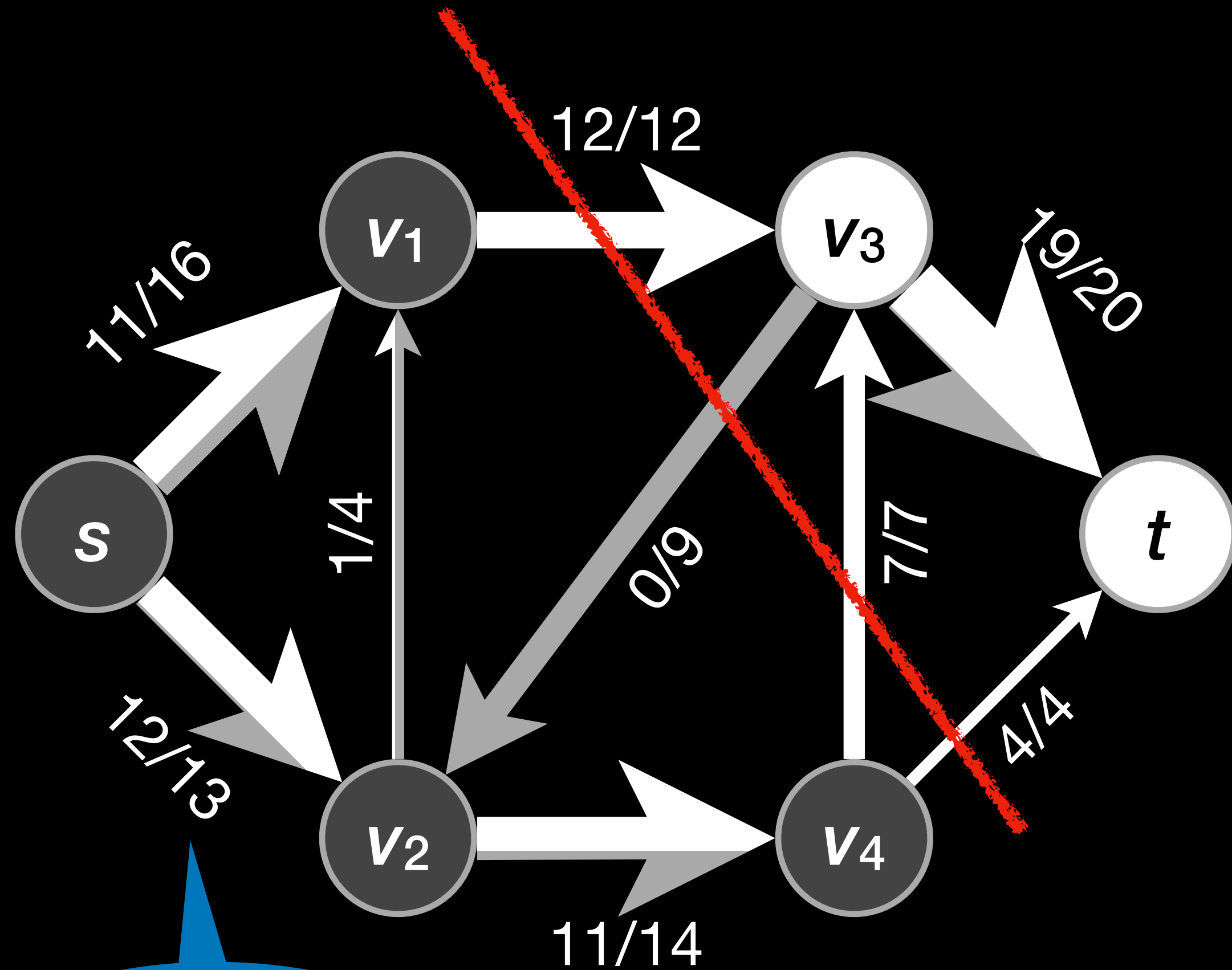
# Proof of Max-Flow Min-Cut

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). If  $f$  is a maximum flow but  $G_f$  contains an augmenting path  $p$ , then  $f \uparrow p$  would be an even larger flow. Contradiction!

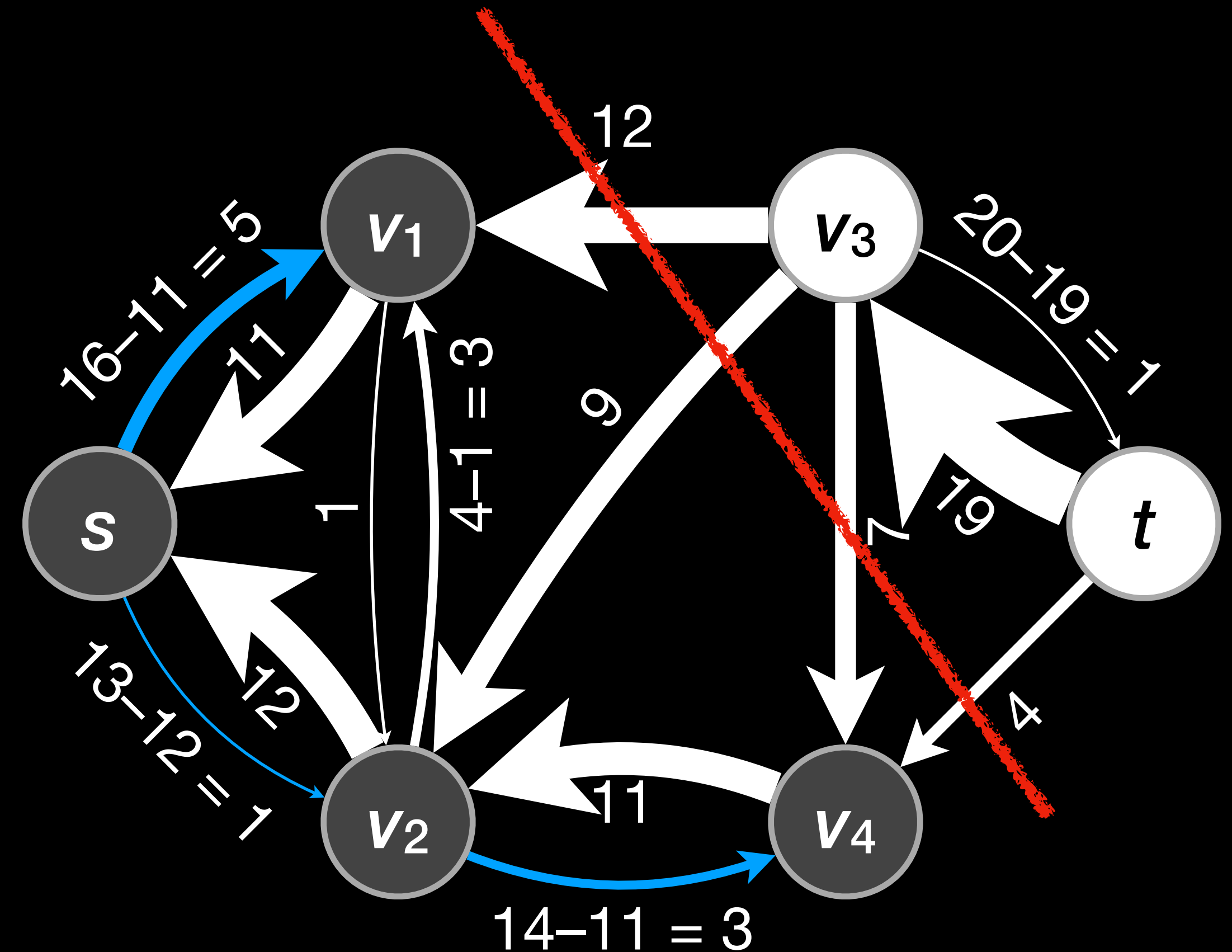
(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3). Let  $S = \{v \in V \mid \text{there exists a path } s \rightsquigarrow v \text{ in } G_f\}$ .  
This cut satisfies the conditions of (3) (see next slide).

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). As the value of flow  $f$  cannot be larger than any cut, being equal is the highest value that can be achieved, so  $f$  is maximal.

# Example (2) $\Rightarrow$ (3)



$c(s, v_2) = 13$   
 $f(s, v_2) = 12$



# Termination and Running Time

- If the edge capacities are incommensurable (irrational), Ford–Fulkerson may not terminate.

Zwick, Uri: **The smallest networks on which the Ford–Fulkerson maximum flow procedure may fail to terminate.**  
*Theoretical Computer Science* 148(1995)165–170.

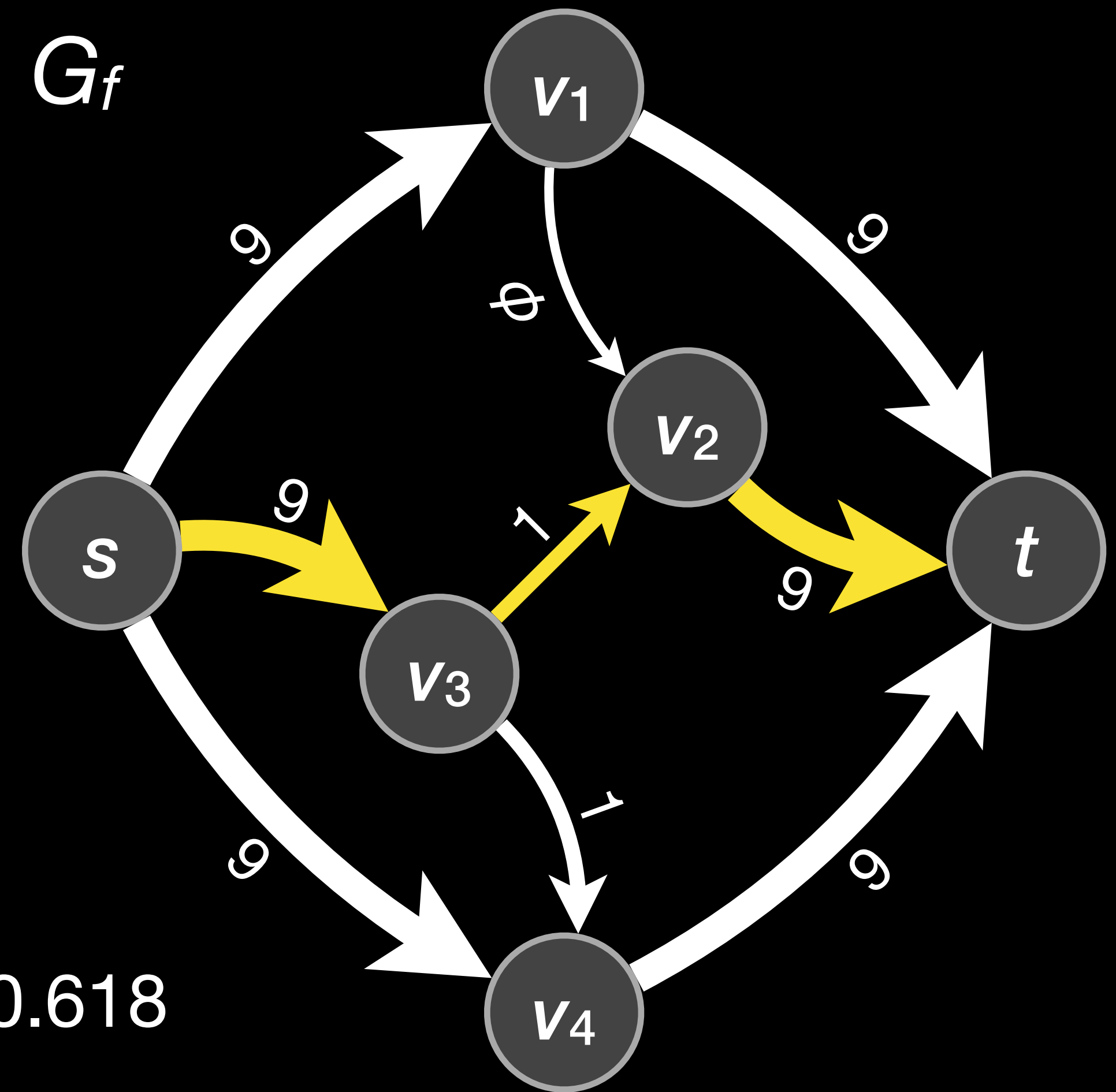
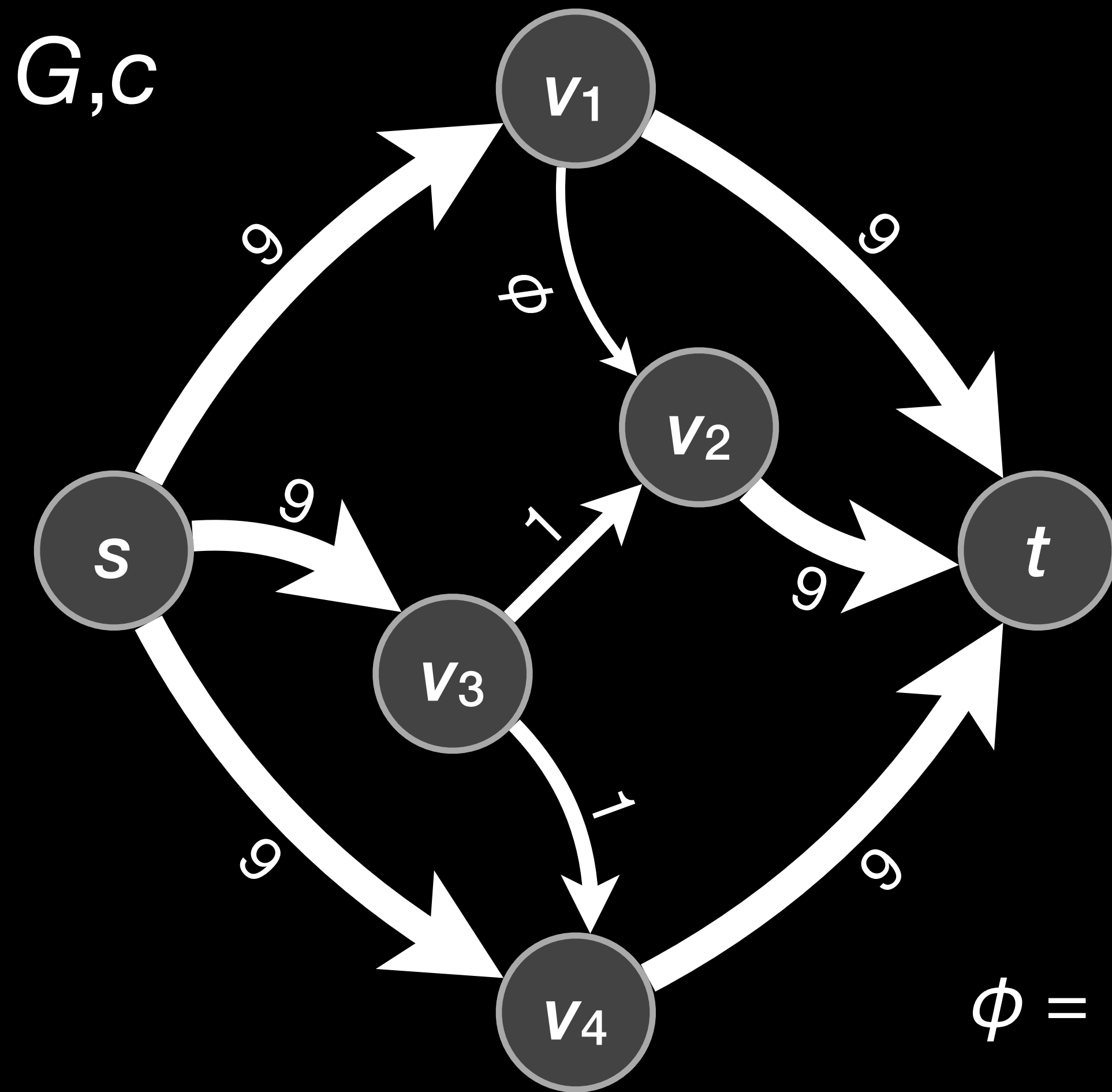
(constructs a network where augmenting paths have value  $1, \phi, \phi^2, \phi^3, \dots$ , for  $\phi = (\sqrt{5}-1)/2 \approx 0.618$ .)

- If the edge capacities are integers, Ford–Fulkerson will terminate with an integer maximum flow  $f$  after at most  $|f|$  iterations.

# Integer Capacities

- Assume that all capacities in the flow network are integers  $c: E \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}$ .
- Then, every intermediary flow and augmenting path will have integer value. The value of every augmenting path is at least 1.
- Therefore, if  $f^*$  is a maximum flow, it is constructed using at most  $|f^*|$  augmenting paths.

# Non-terminating Example

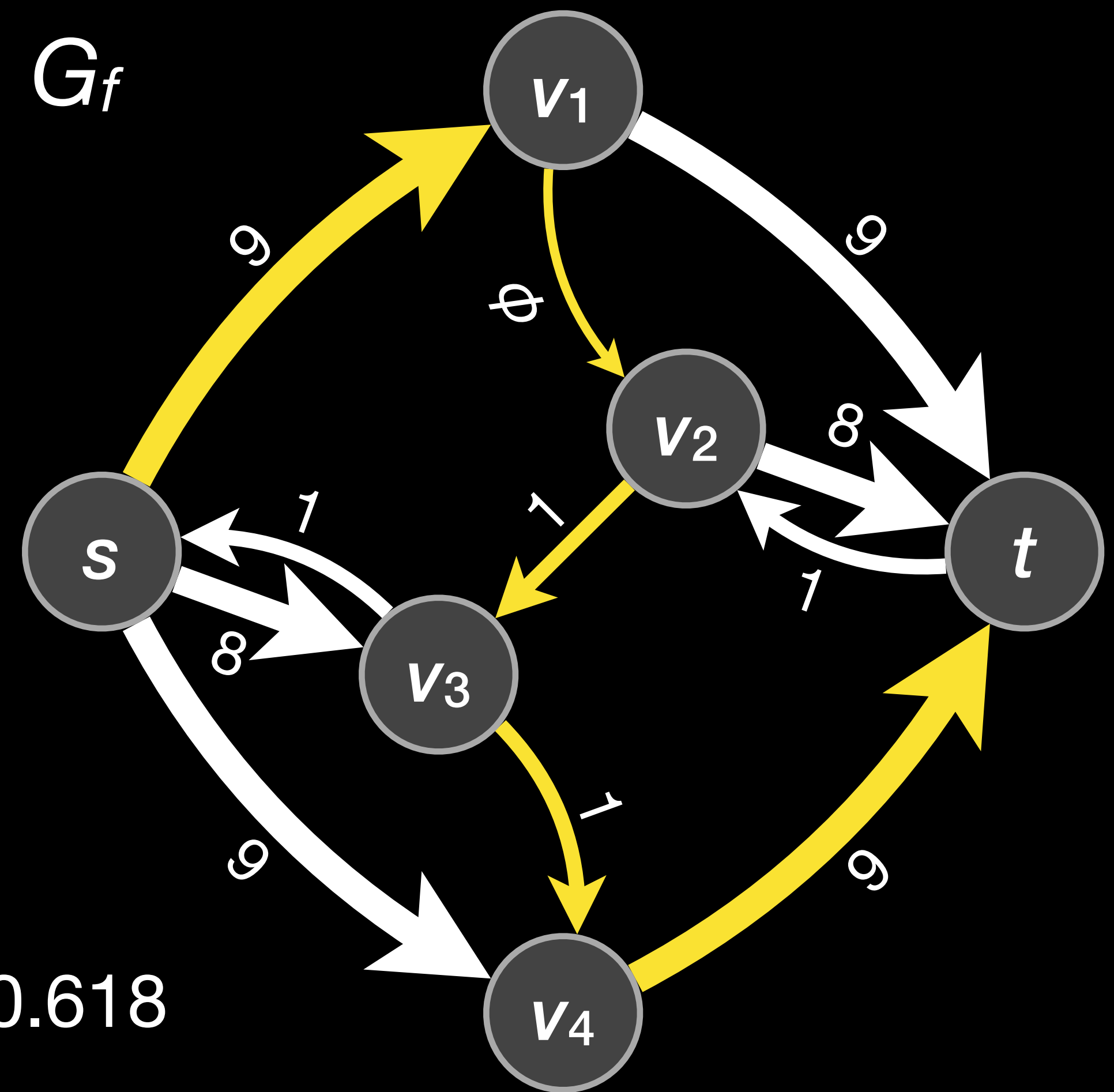
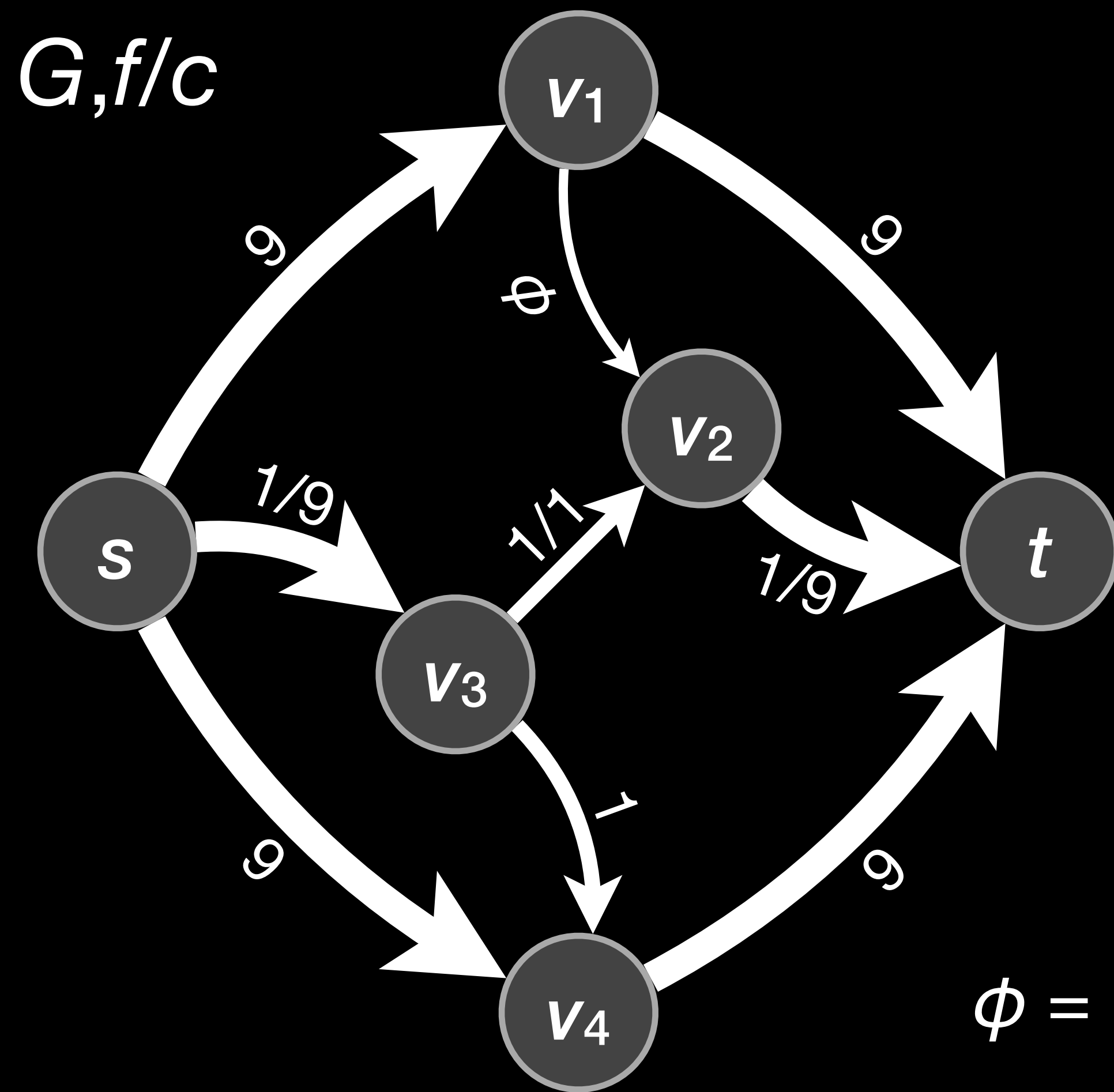


$$\phi = (\sqrt{5}-1)/2 \approx 0.618$$

$$1 - \phi = \phi^2$$



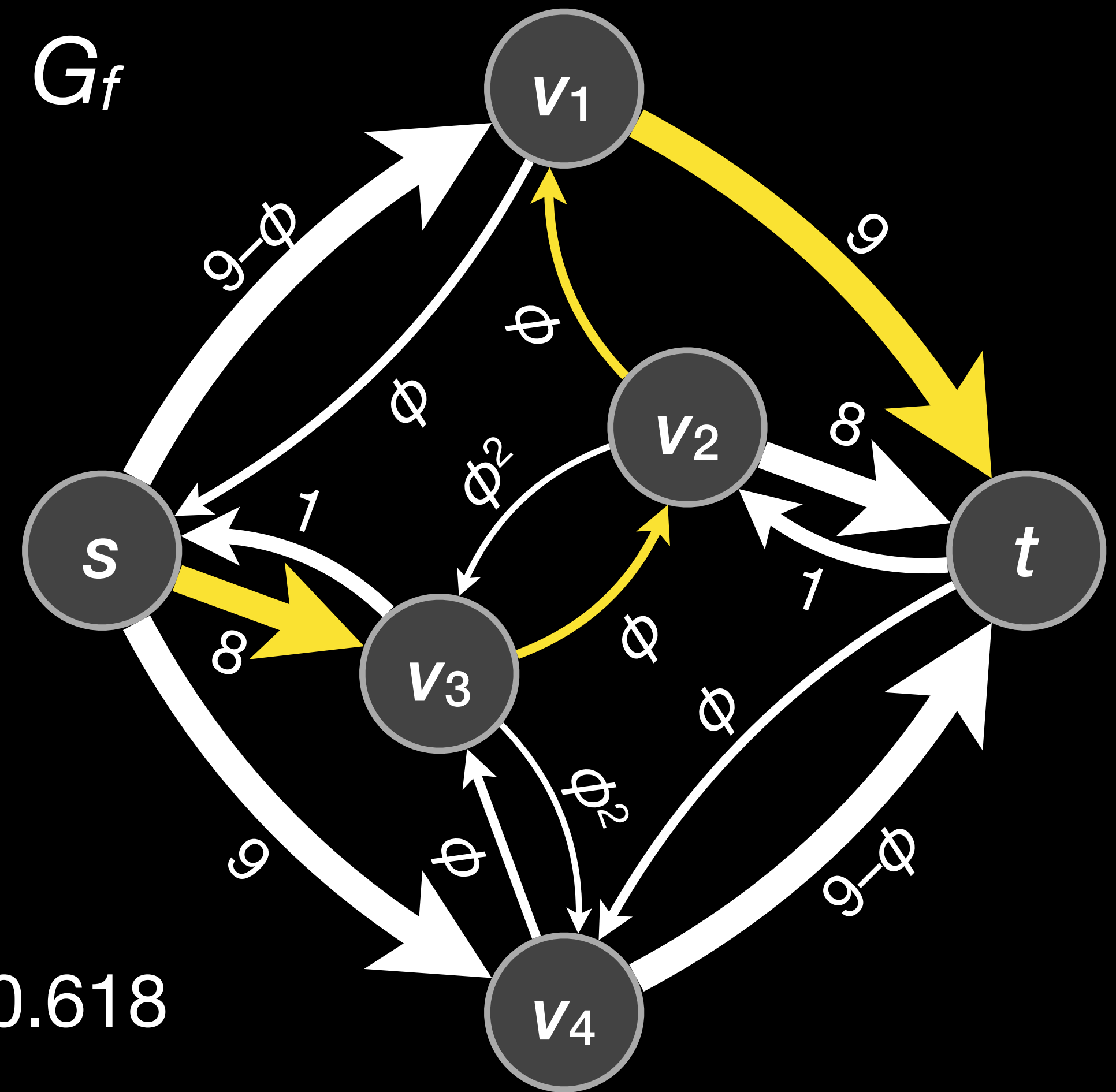
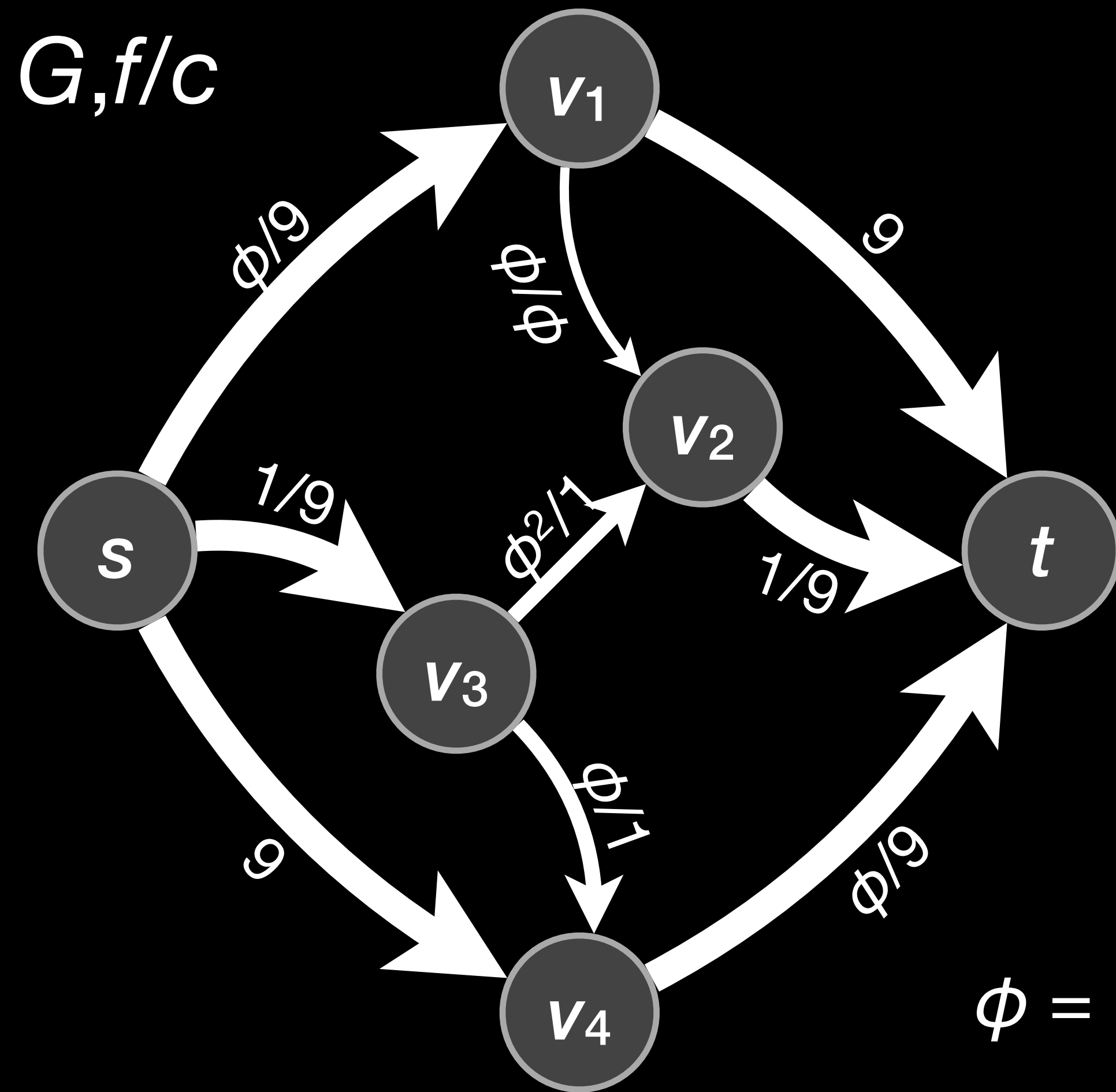
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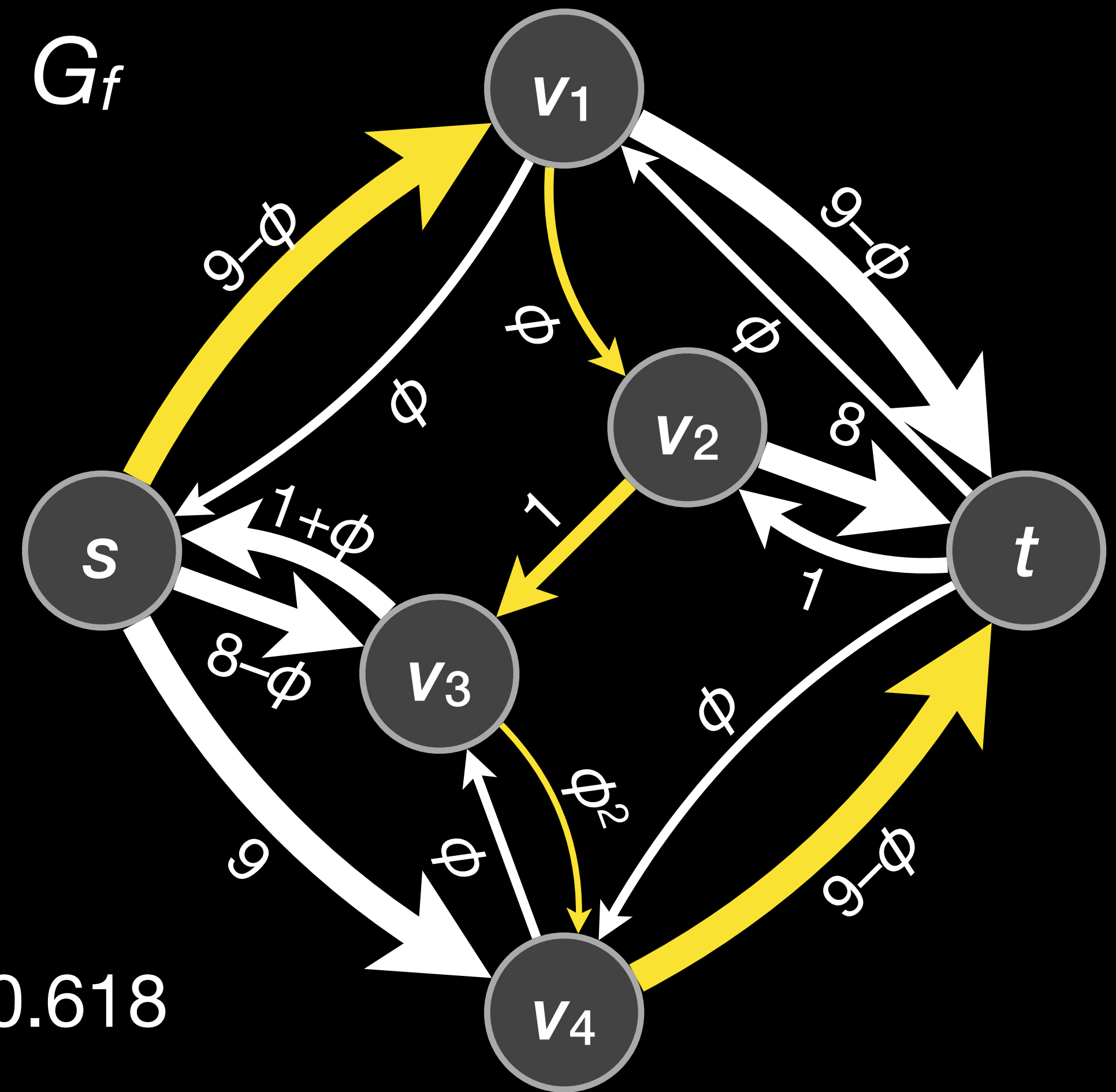
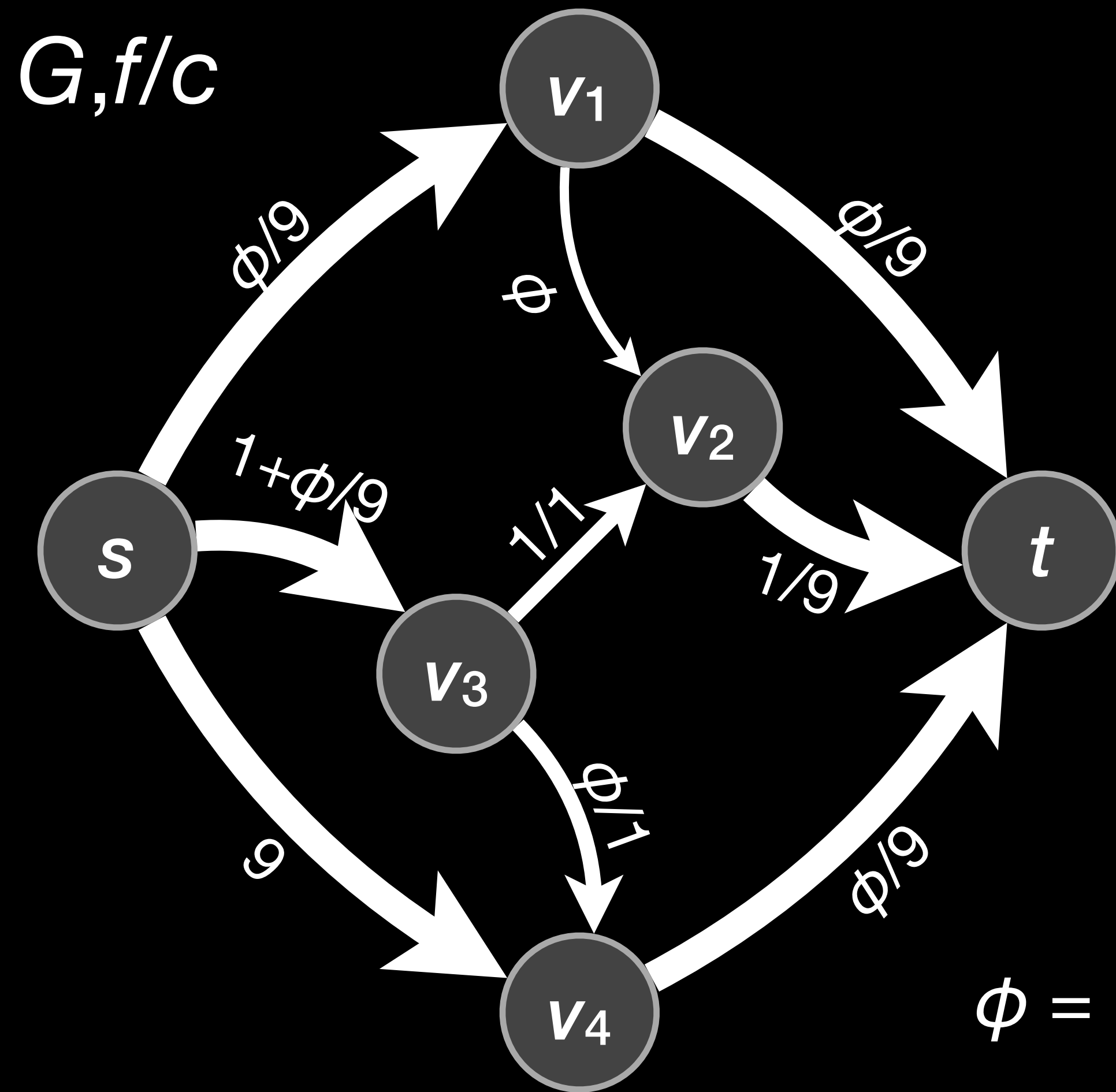
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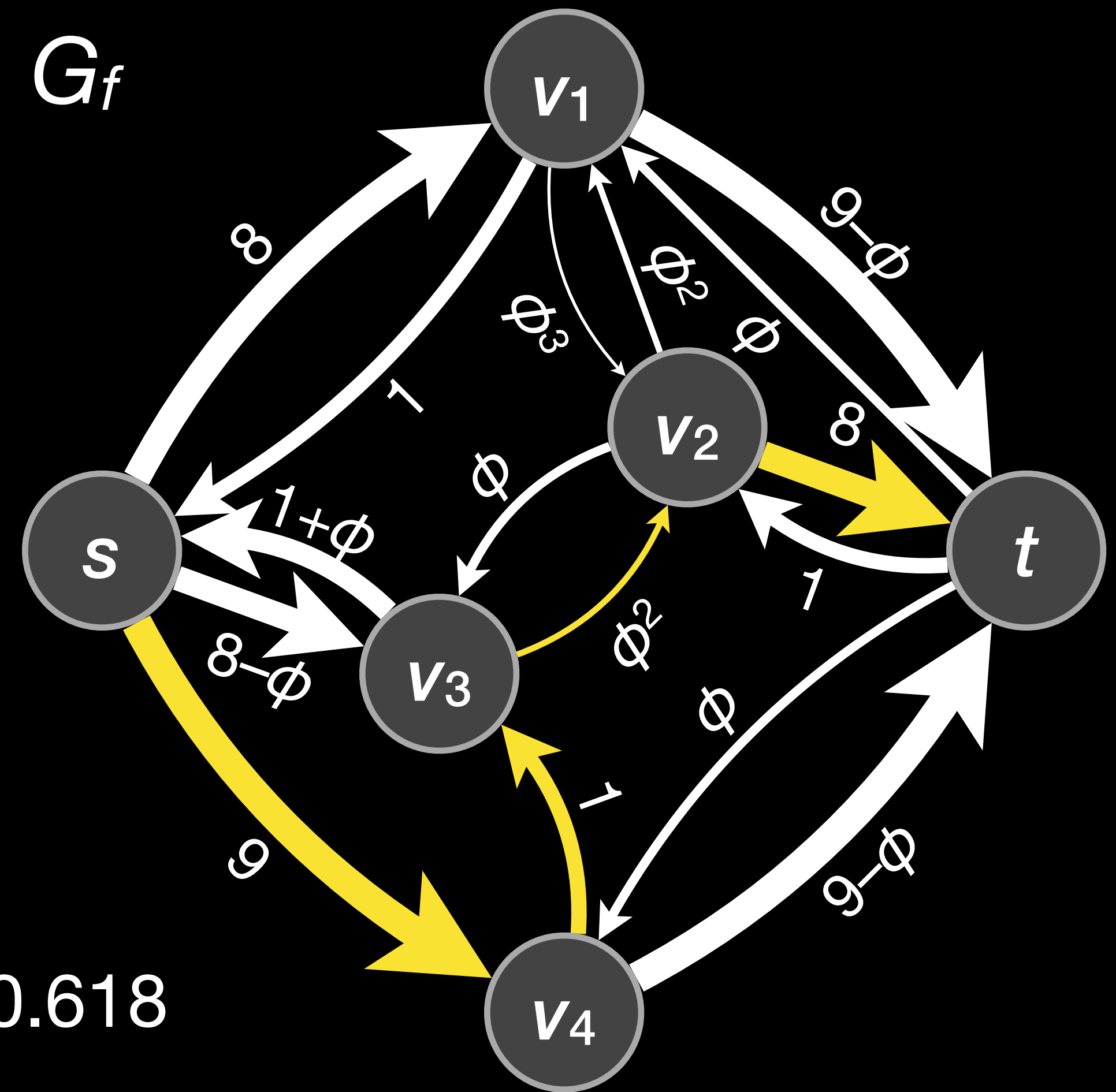
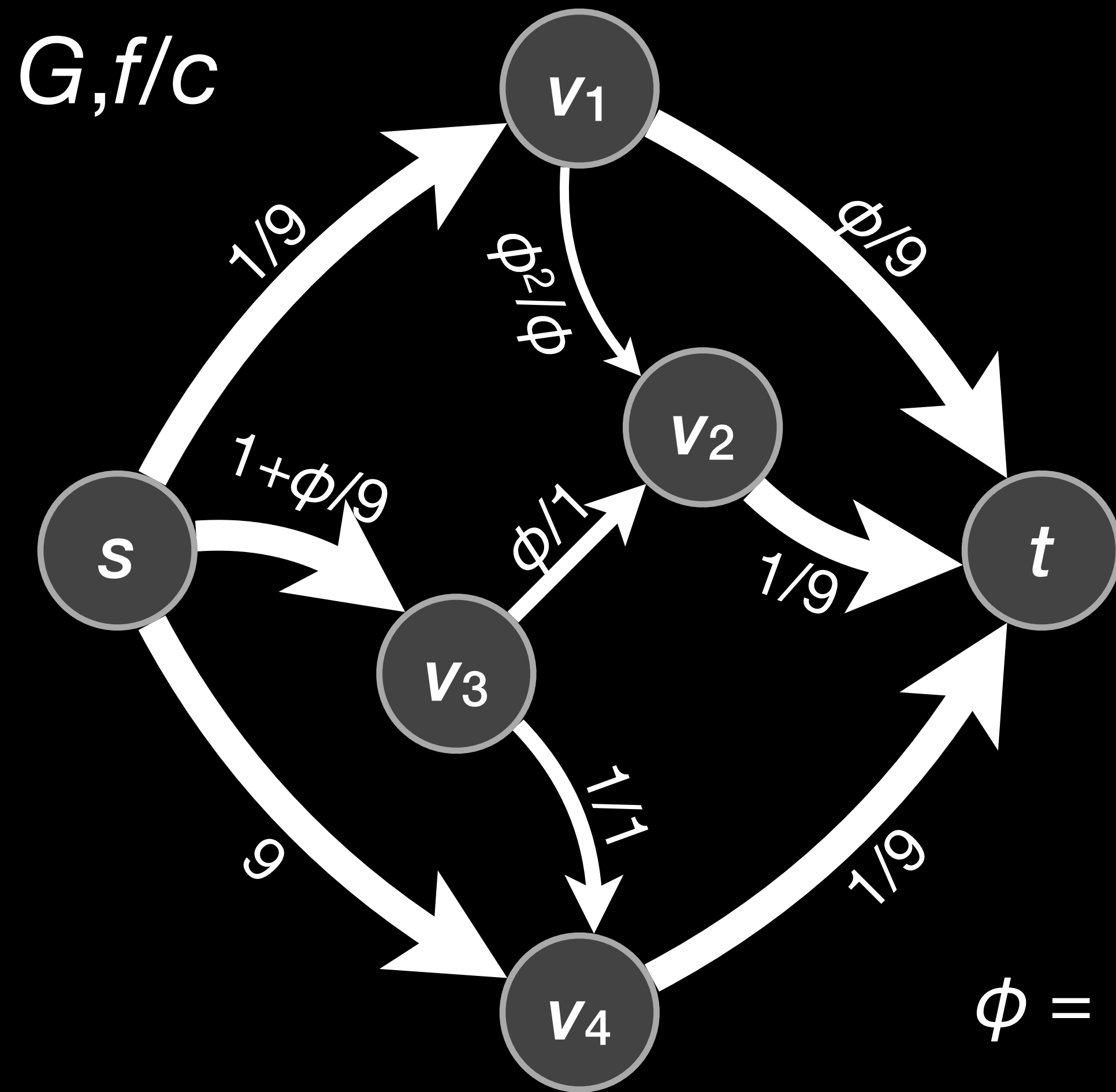
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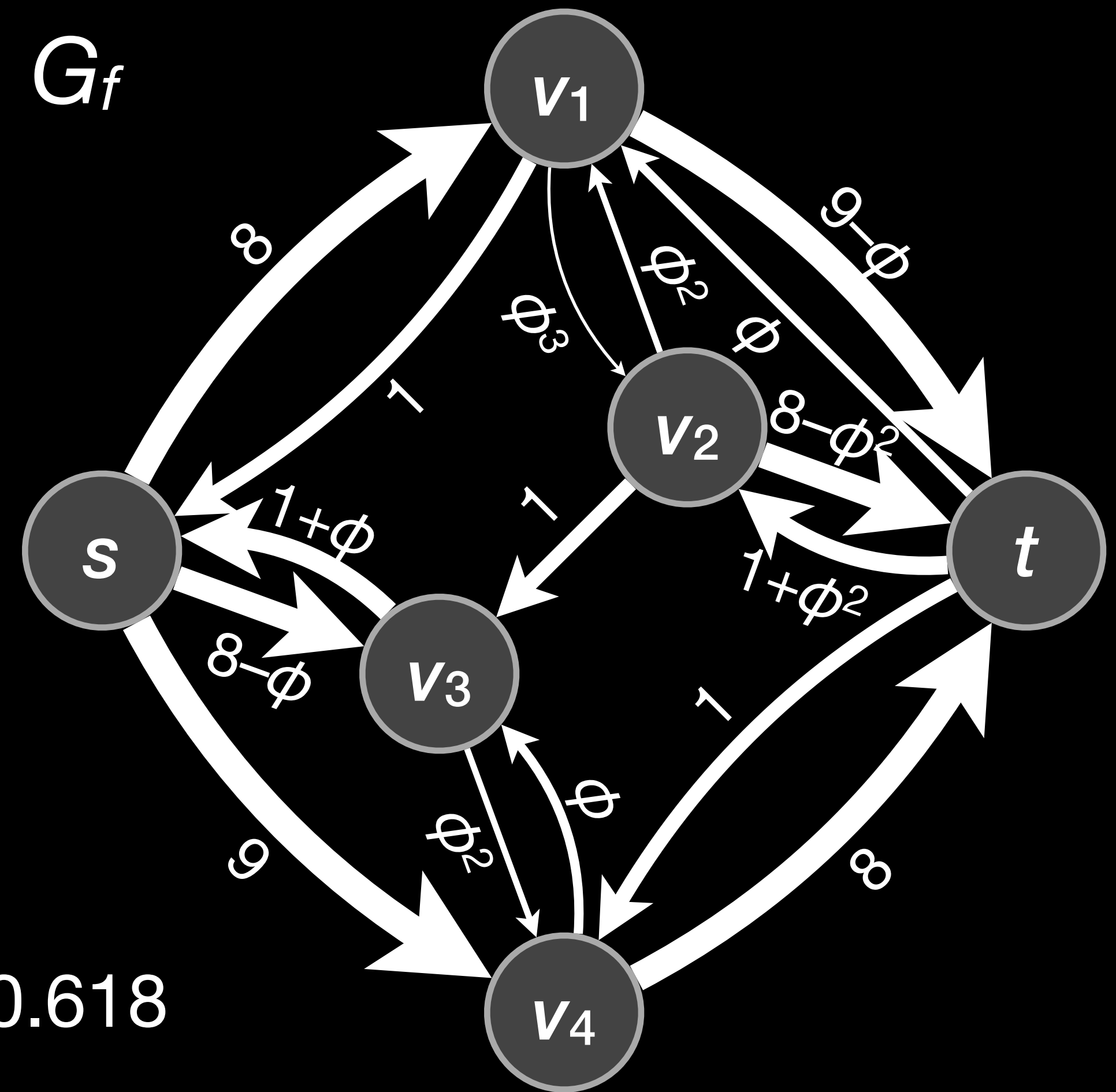
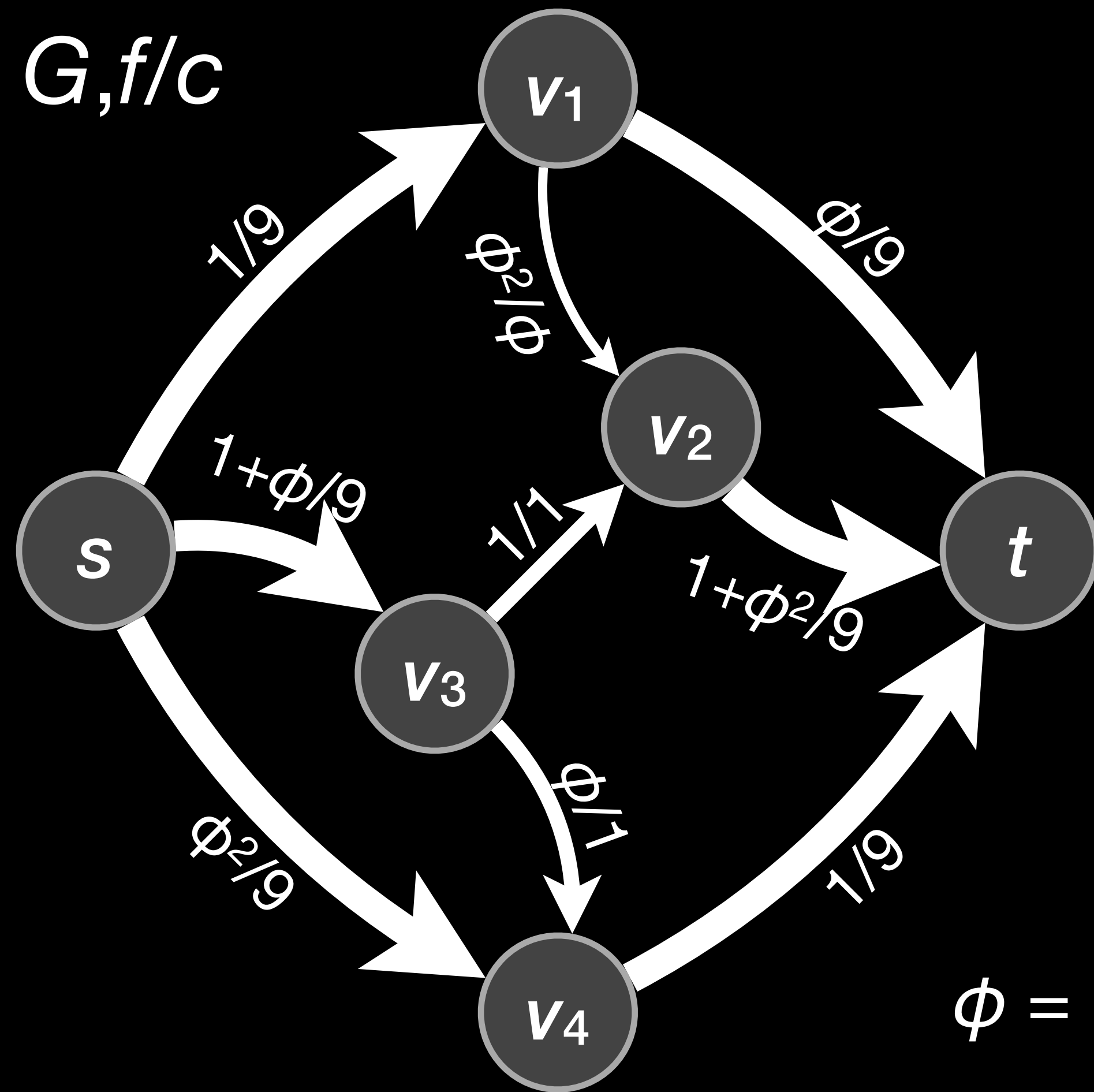
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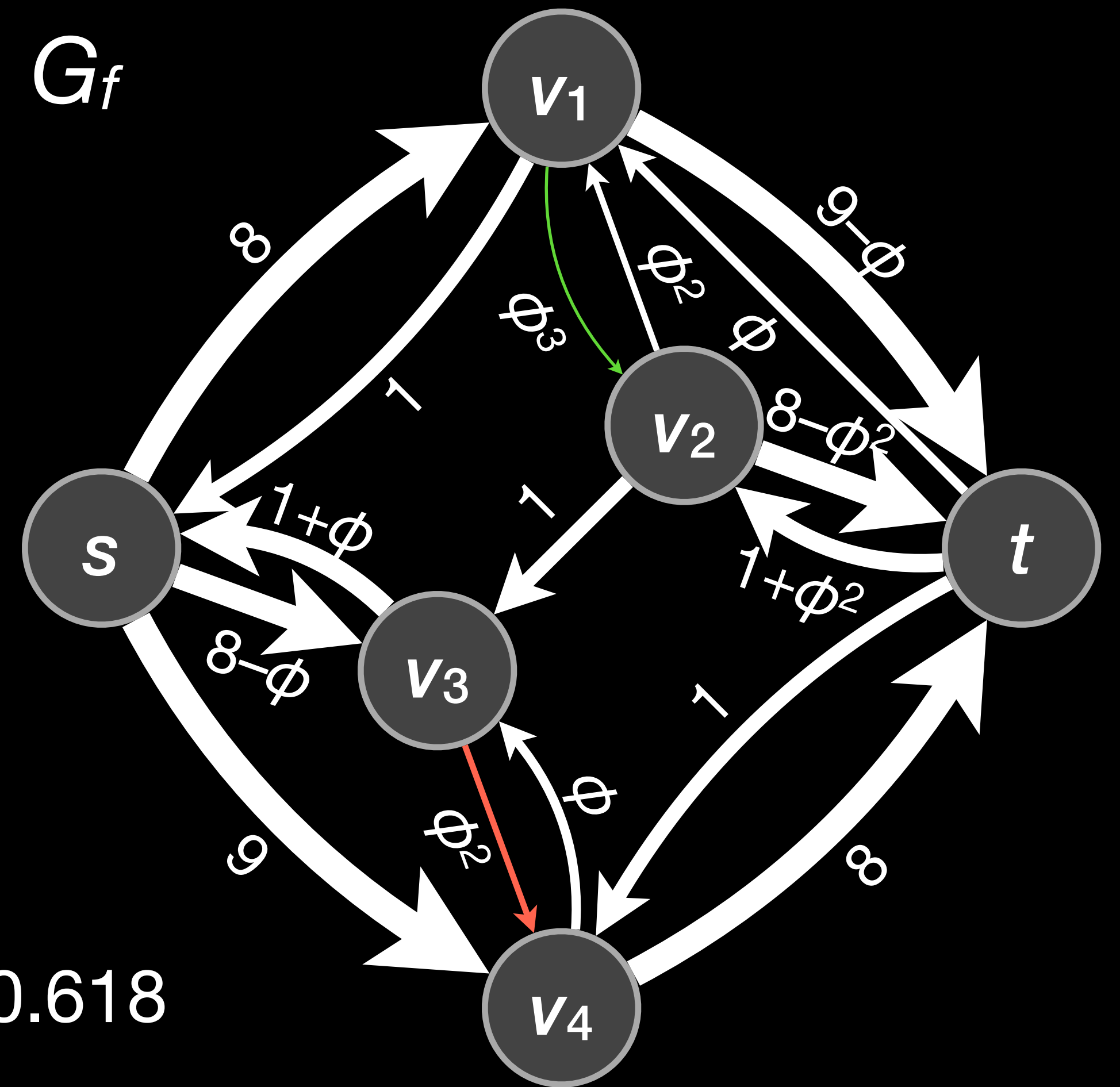
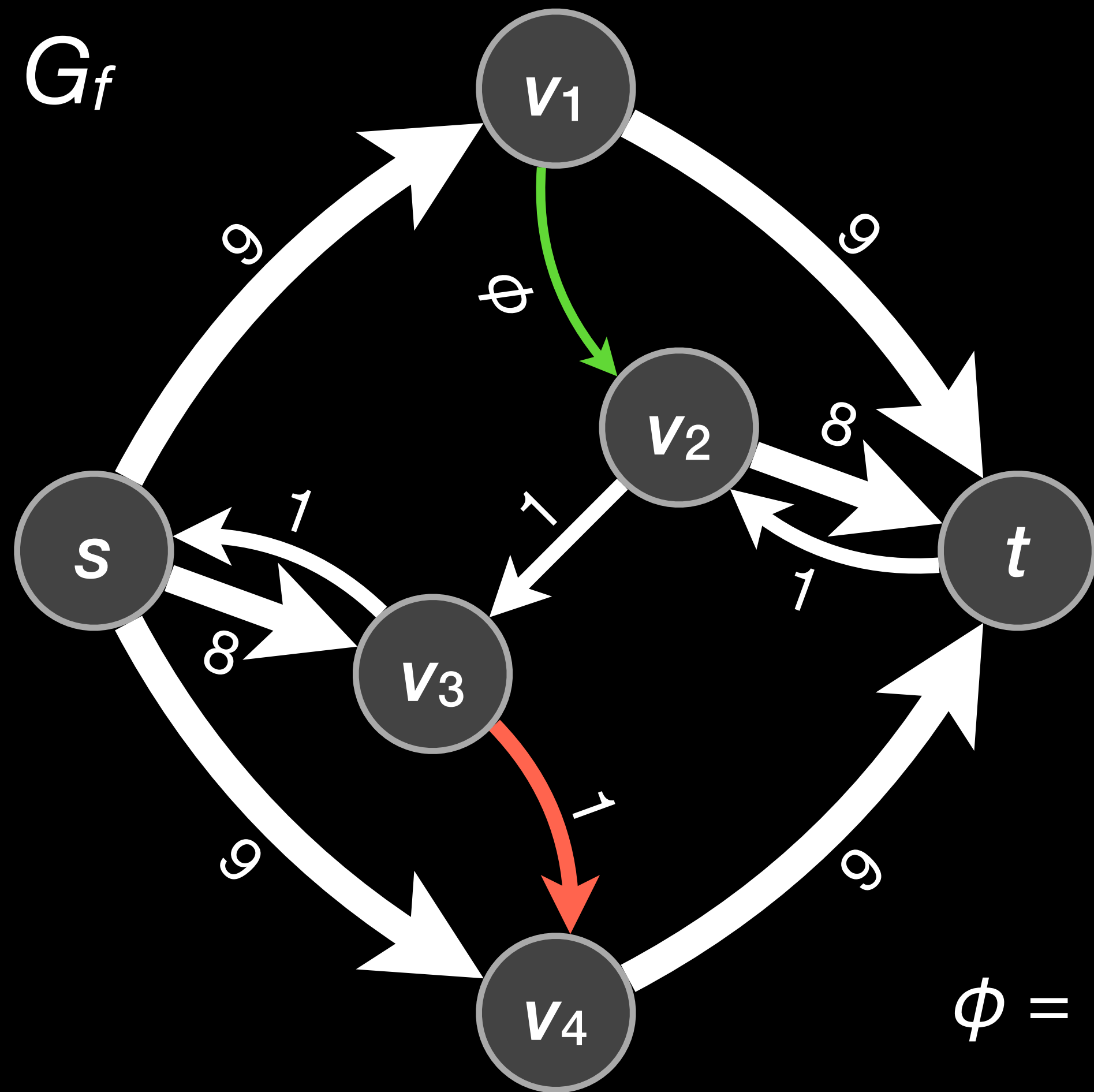
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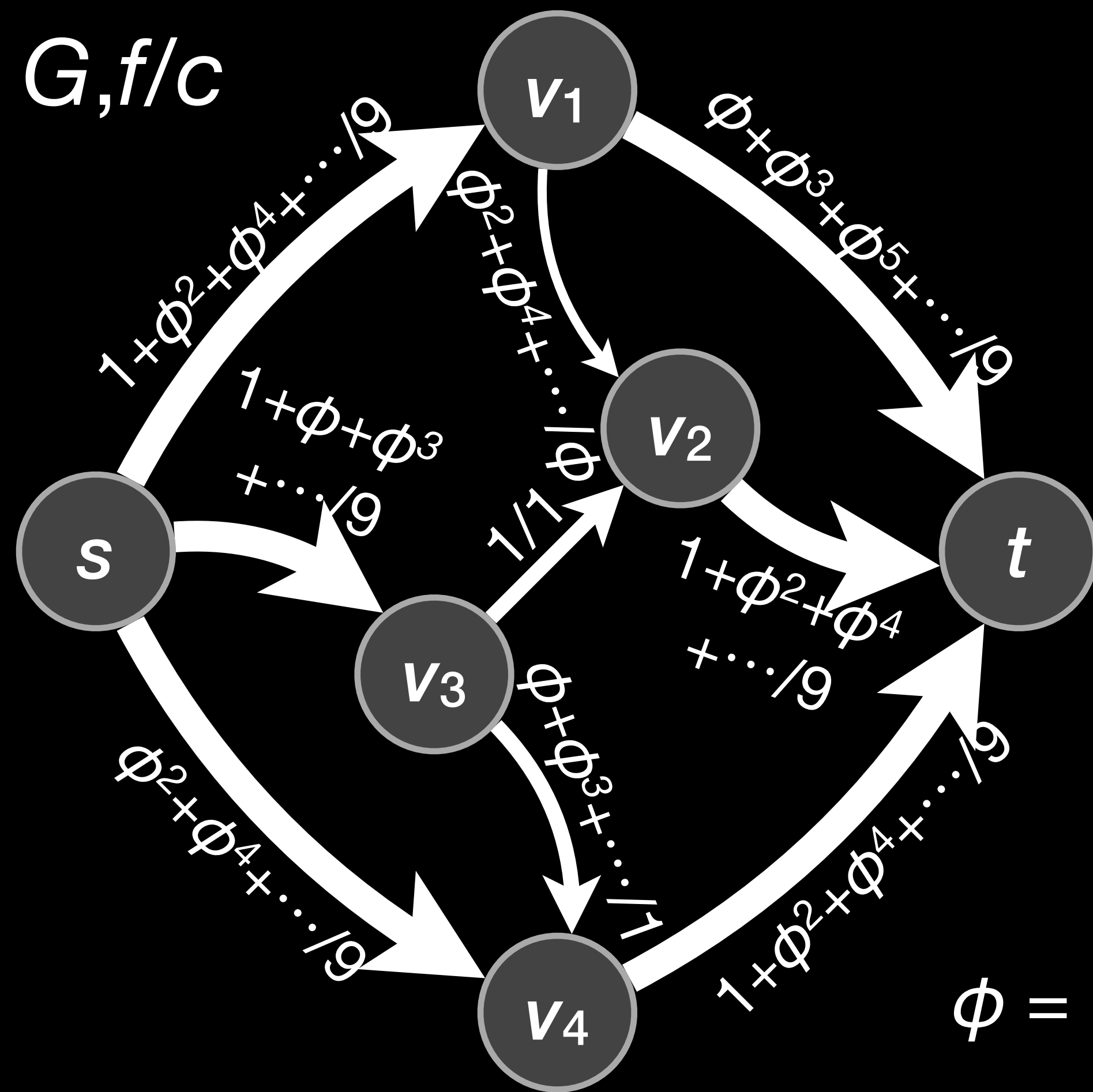
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# Non-terminating Example



- The same sequence of augmenting paths can be applied again, but every augment will be by factor  $\phi^2$  smaller.
- In the limit, the left flow is reached.
- Value =  $3 + 2\phi^2 + 2\phi^4 + \dots$   
 $= 3 + 2\phi \approx 4.236$

$$\phi = (\sqrt{5}-1)/2 \approx 0.618$$

$$1 - \phi = \phi^2$$



# Running Time (integer capacities)

- Assume that all capacities are integers. Then, we already know there will be  $\leq |f^*|$  augmenting paths, i.e.  $\leq |f^*|$  iterations.
- How long does an iteration take?
  - Finding a path is in  $O(|E|)$  (also finds the capacity of the path)
  - Adapting the capacities of the residual network is in  $O(|E|)$
- So, overall the running time is in  $O(|E| \cdot |f^*|)$ .

# 运行时间（整数的容量）

- 假设所有的容量是整数。已经知道最多有  $|f^*|$  增广路径，算法最多进行  $|f^*|$  迭代。
- 一个迭代需要多少时间？
  - 找到一条路径为  $O(|E|)$ （包括计算路径的容量）
  - 改变残存网络的容量在  $O(|E|)$  中
- 总的来说，运行时间是  $O(|E| \cdot |f^*|)$ 。



# Edmonds–Karp

- Edmonds and Karp proposed to use only breadth-first search for finding augmenting paths. They proved a better time bound.
- Proof idea: Given any vertex  $v$ , the distance  $\delta(s, v)$  in  $G_f$  never decreases. If edge  $(u, v)$  is critical two times, then  $\delta(s, v)$  increases by at least 2.

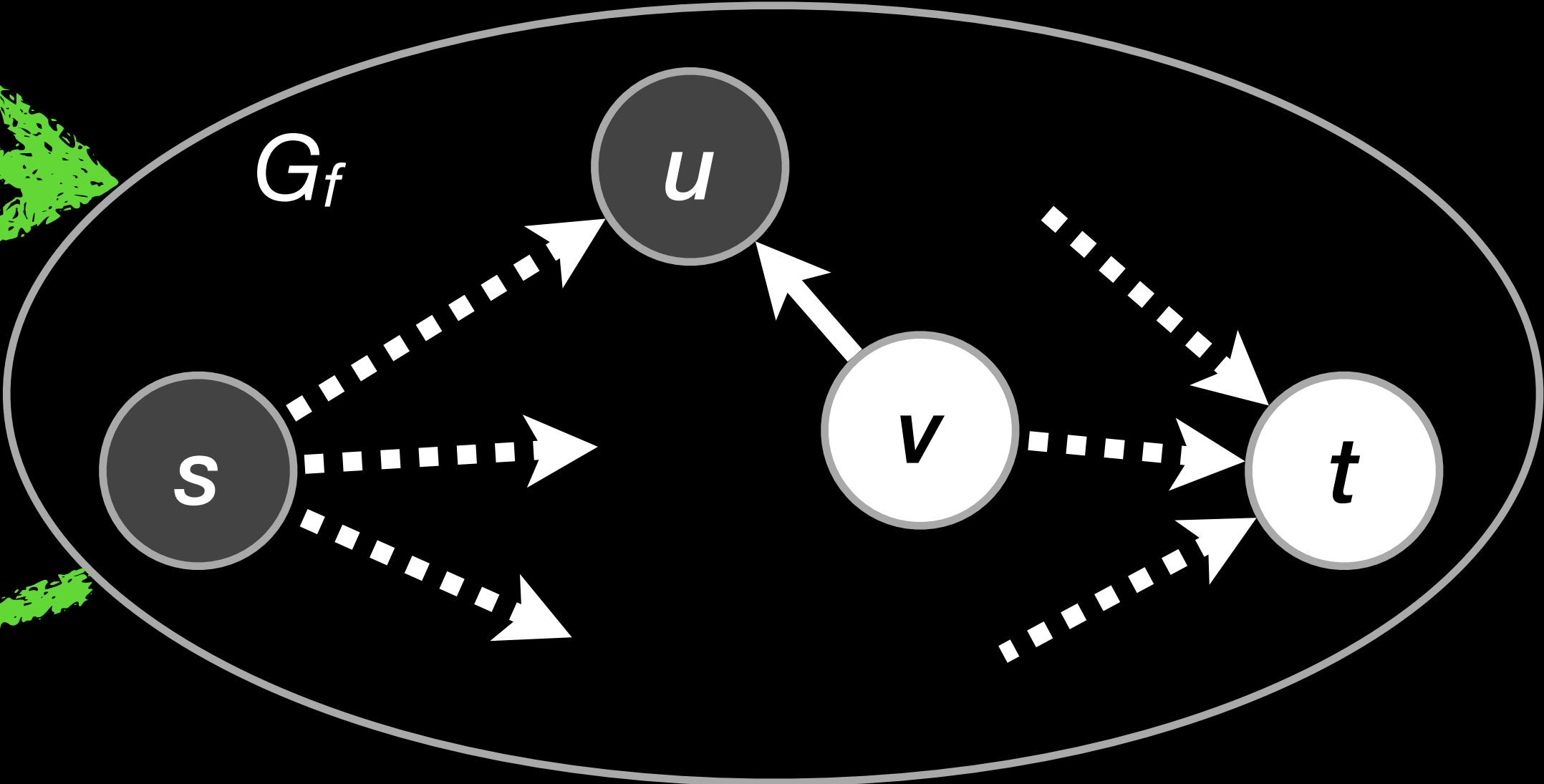
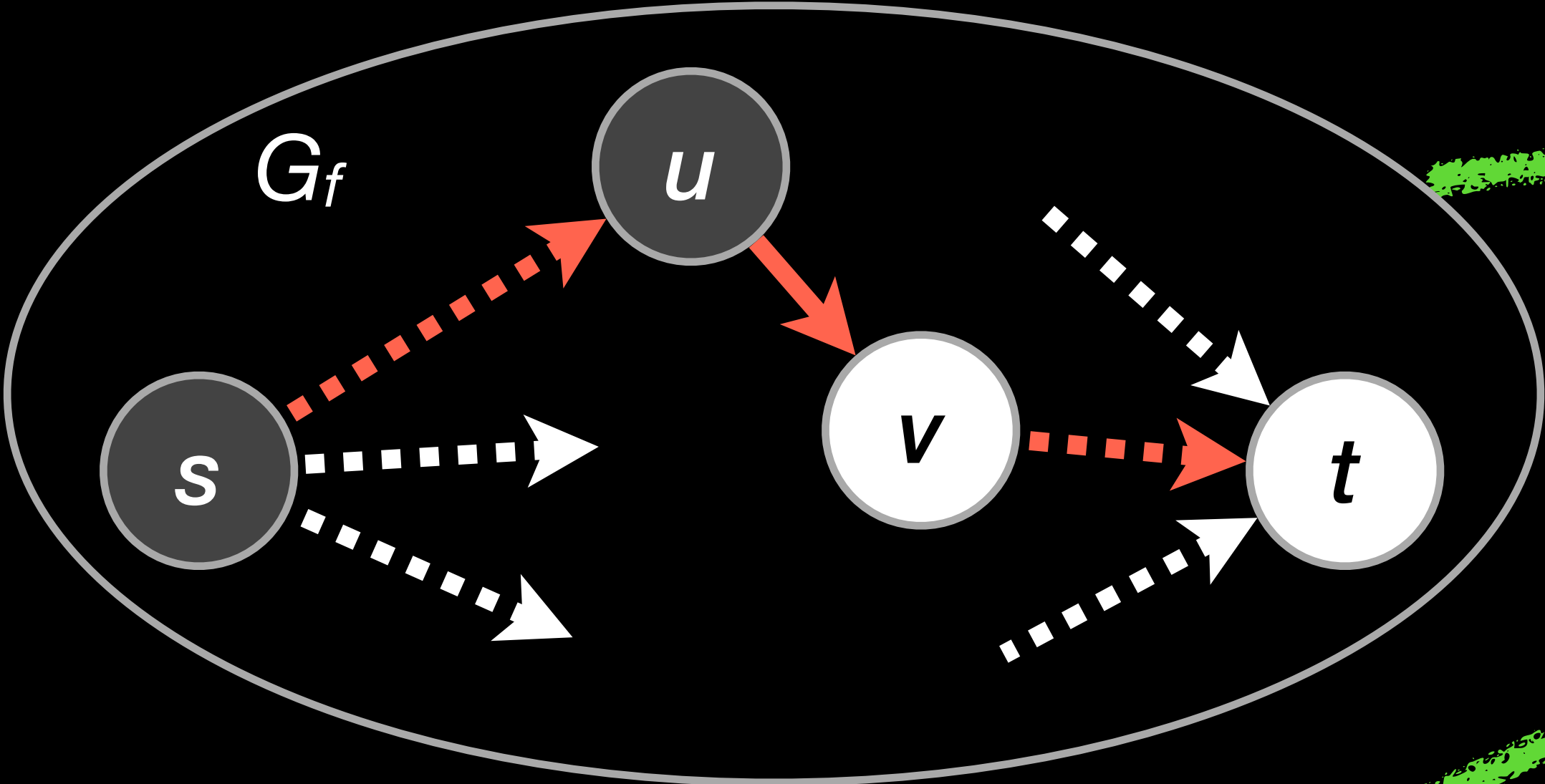
critical:  
augmenting path value  
 $= c_f(u, v)$

# Edmonds–Karp

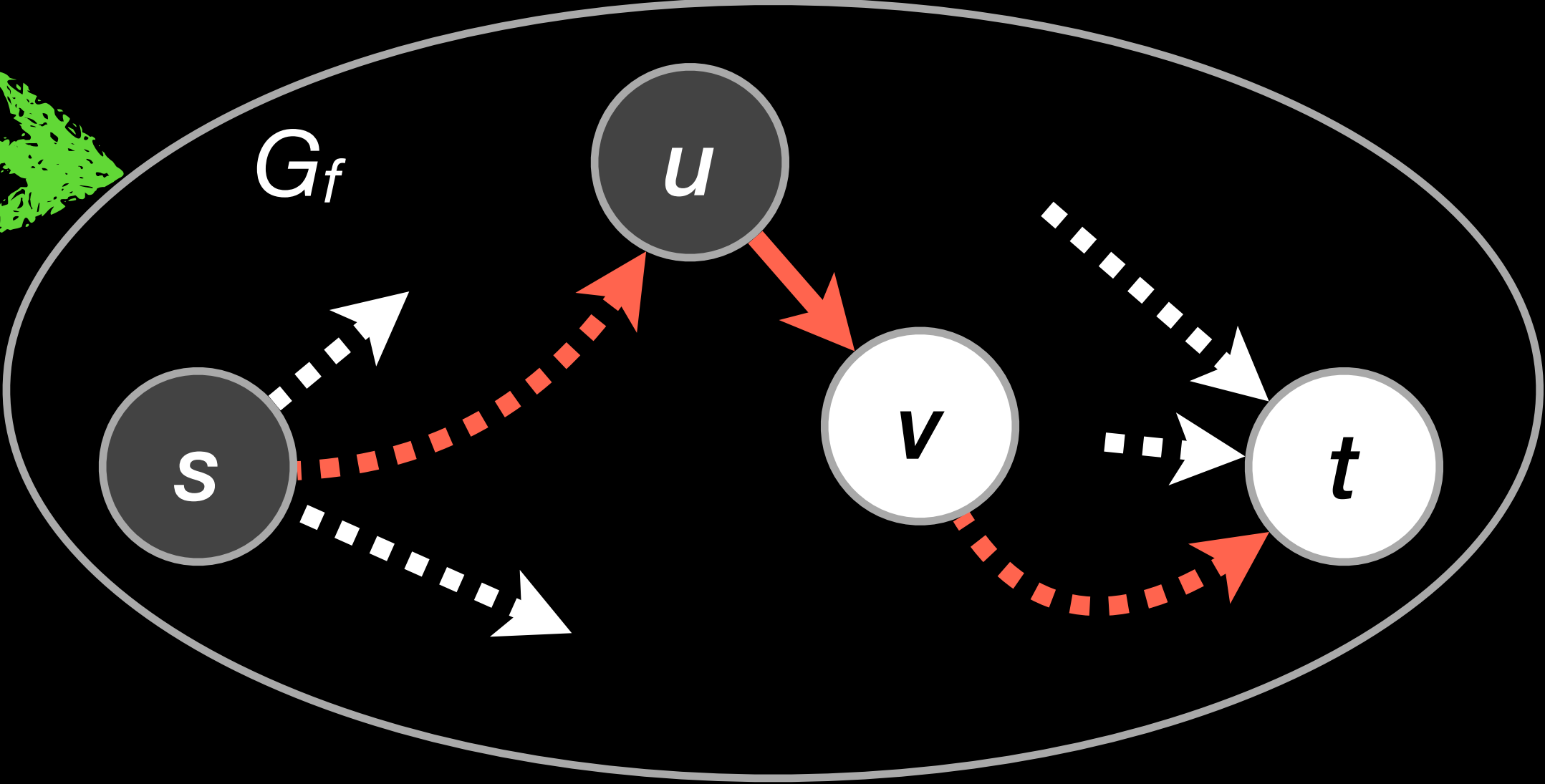
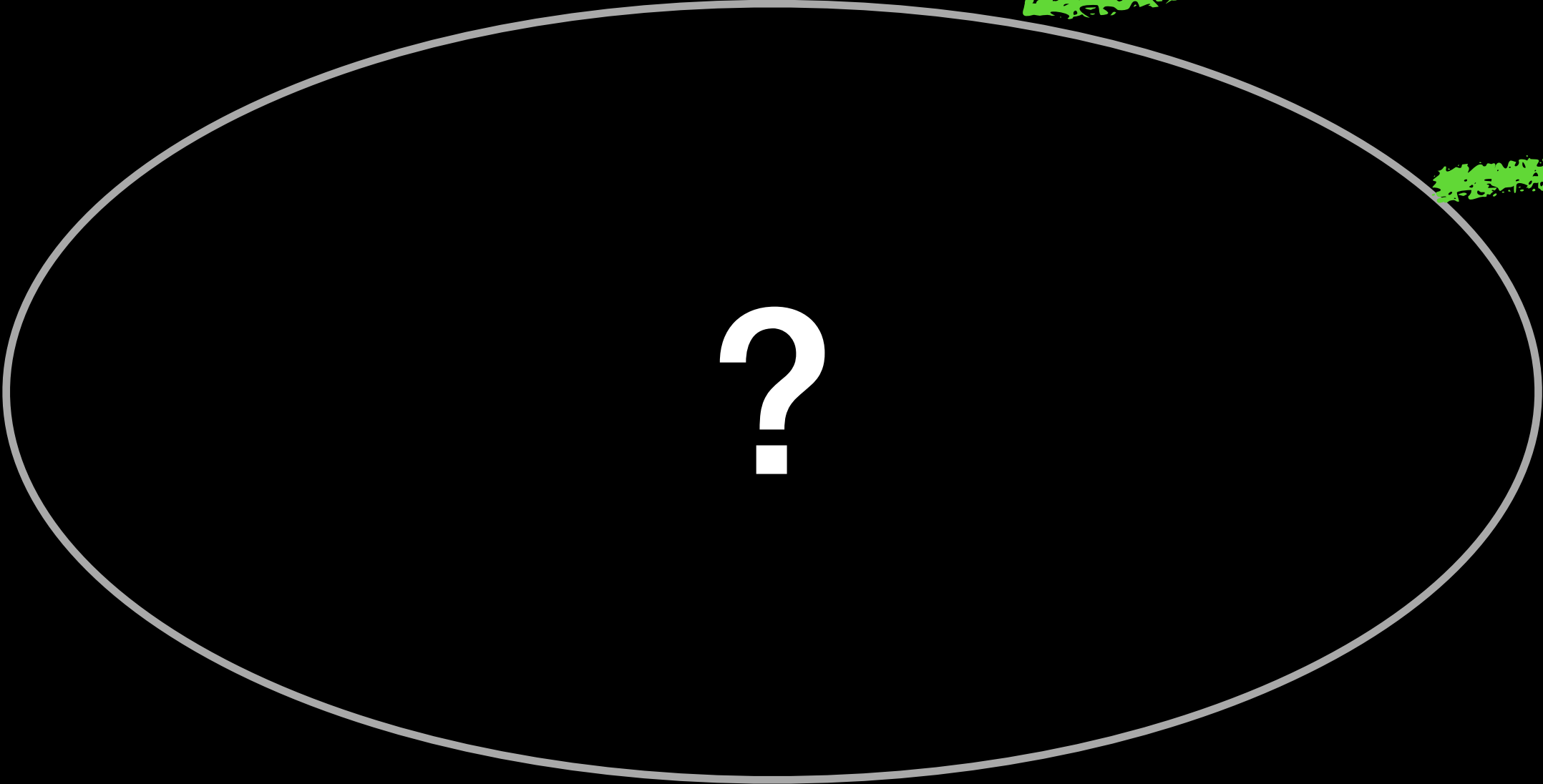
- Edmonds 和 Karp 建议总是使用广度优先搜索再找到增广路径。这样可以证明更好的运行时间的上界。
- 证明思想：给定任何结点  $v$ ,  $G_f$  中的距离  $\delta(s, v)$  都不会减小。如果边  $(u, v)$  是关键边两次, 则  $\delta(s, v)$  至少增加 2。

关键边:  
增广路径的值 =  
 $c_f(u, v)$

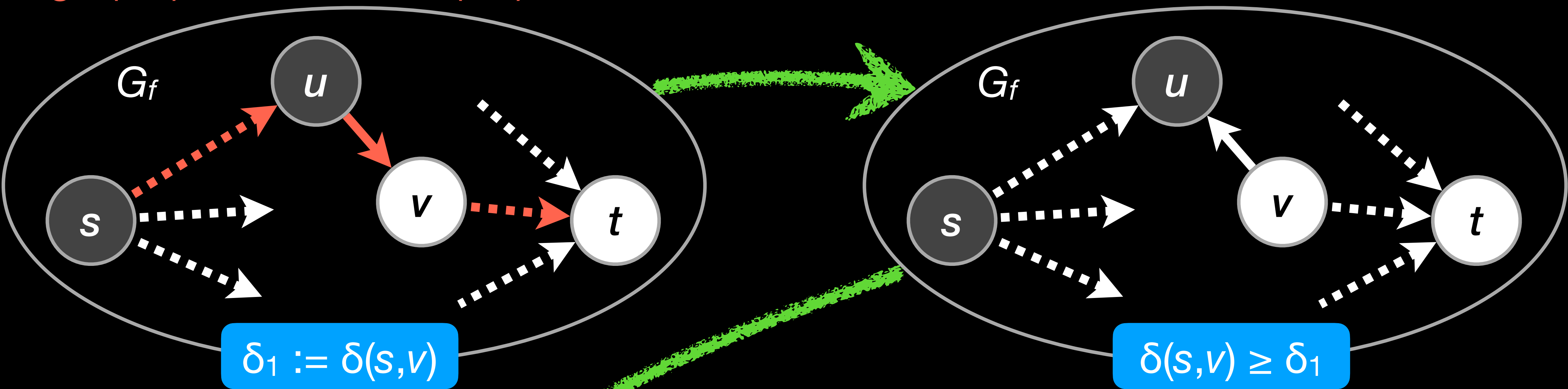
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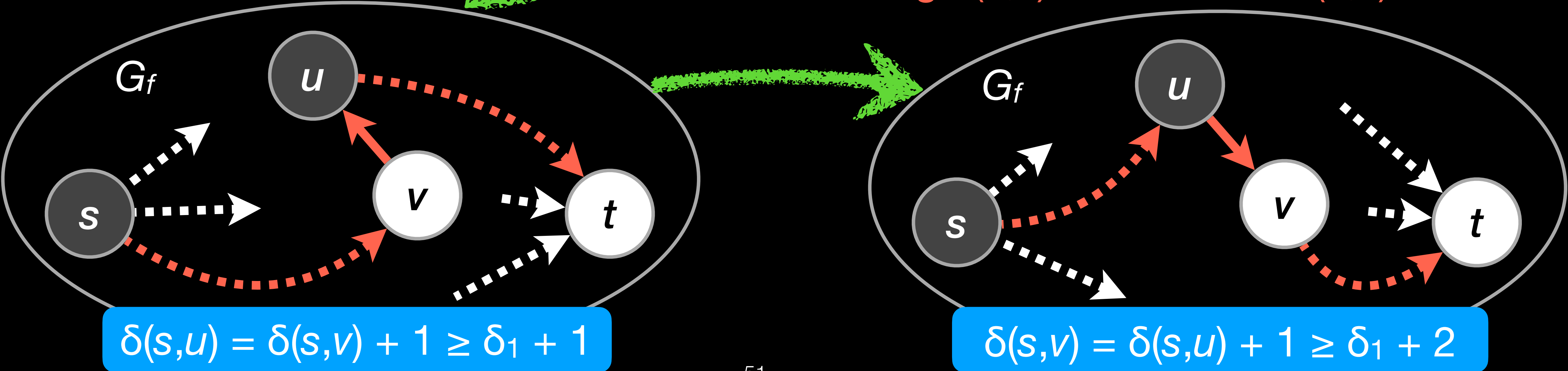
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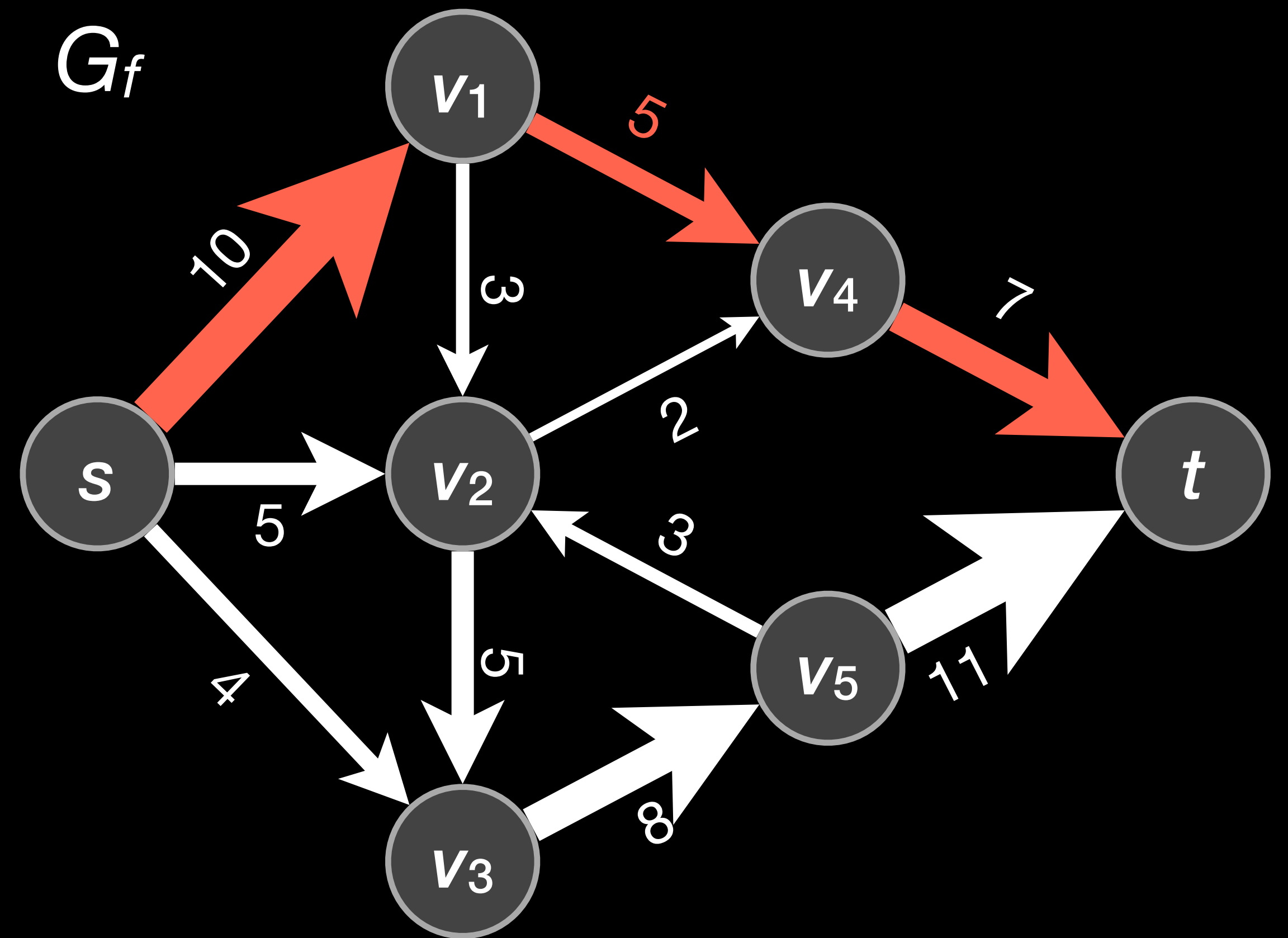
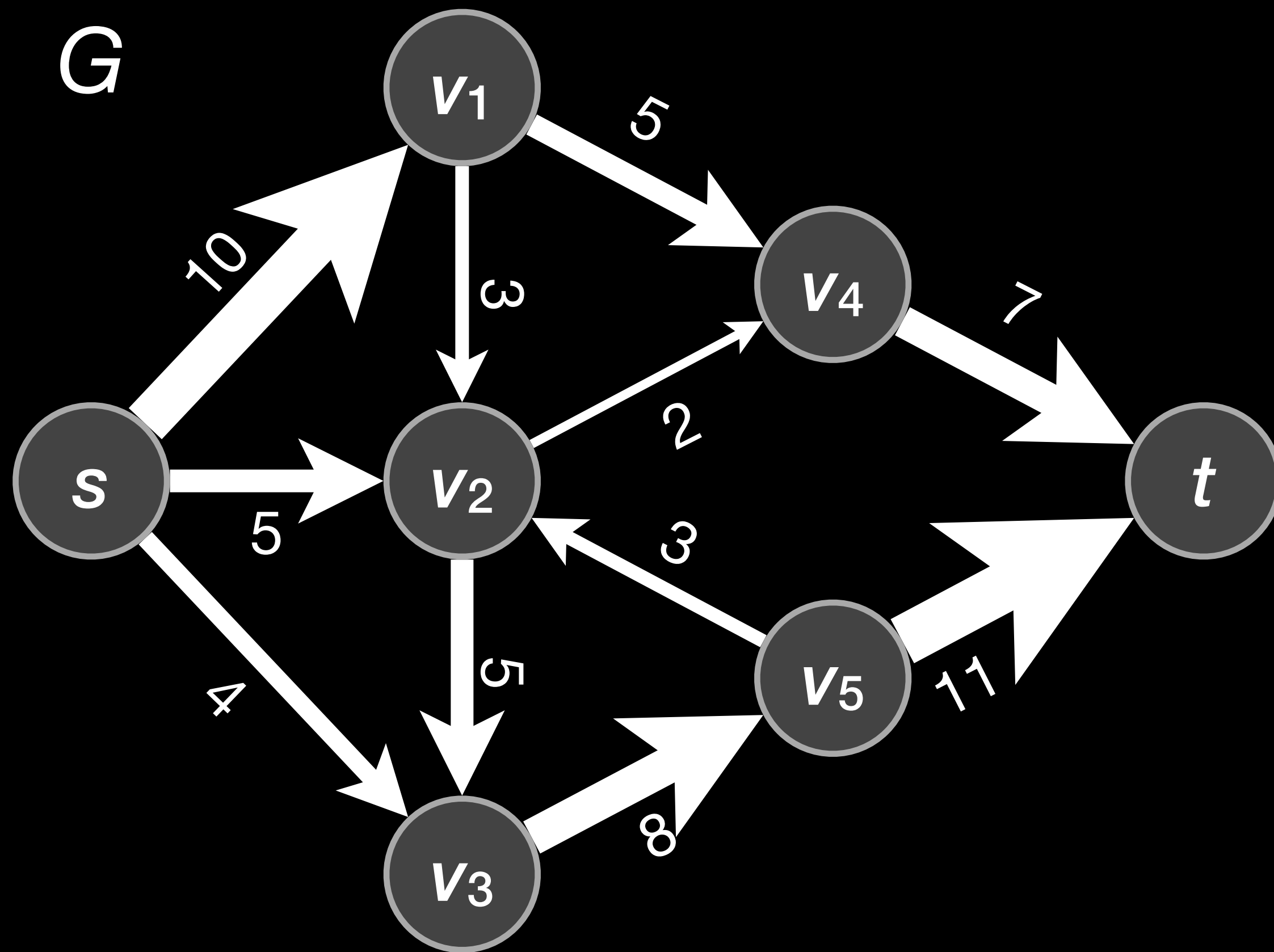
# Edmonds–Karp

- Lemma 26.7: For all vertices  $v \in V \setminus \{s, t\}$ , the distance  $\delta_f(s, v)$  in the residual network  $G_f$  increases monotonically over time.
- Theorem 26.8: The total number of flow augmentations performed is in  $O(|V| \cdot |E|)$ .
- Corollary: The total running time of Edmonds–Karp is in  $O(|V| \cdot |E|^2)$ .

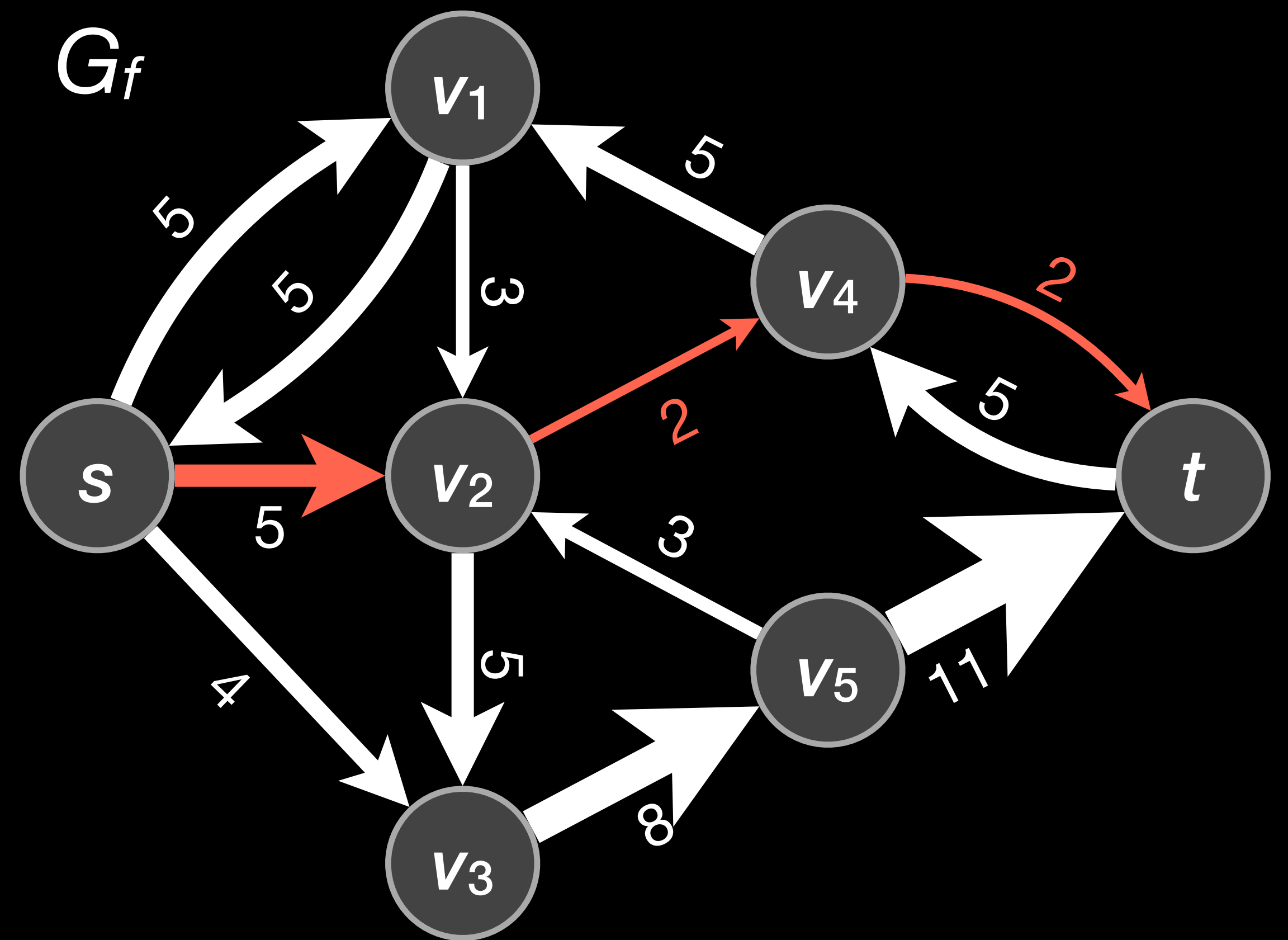
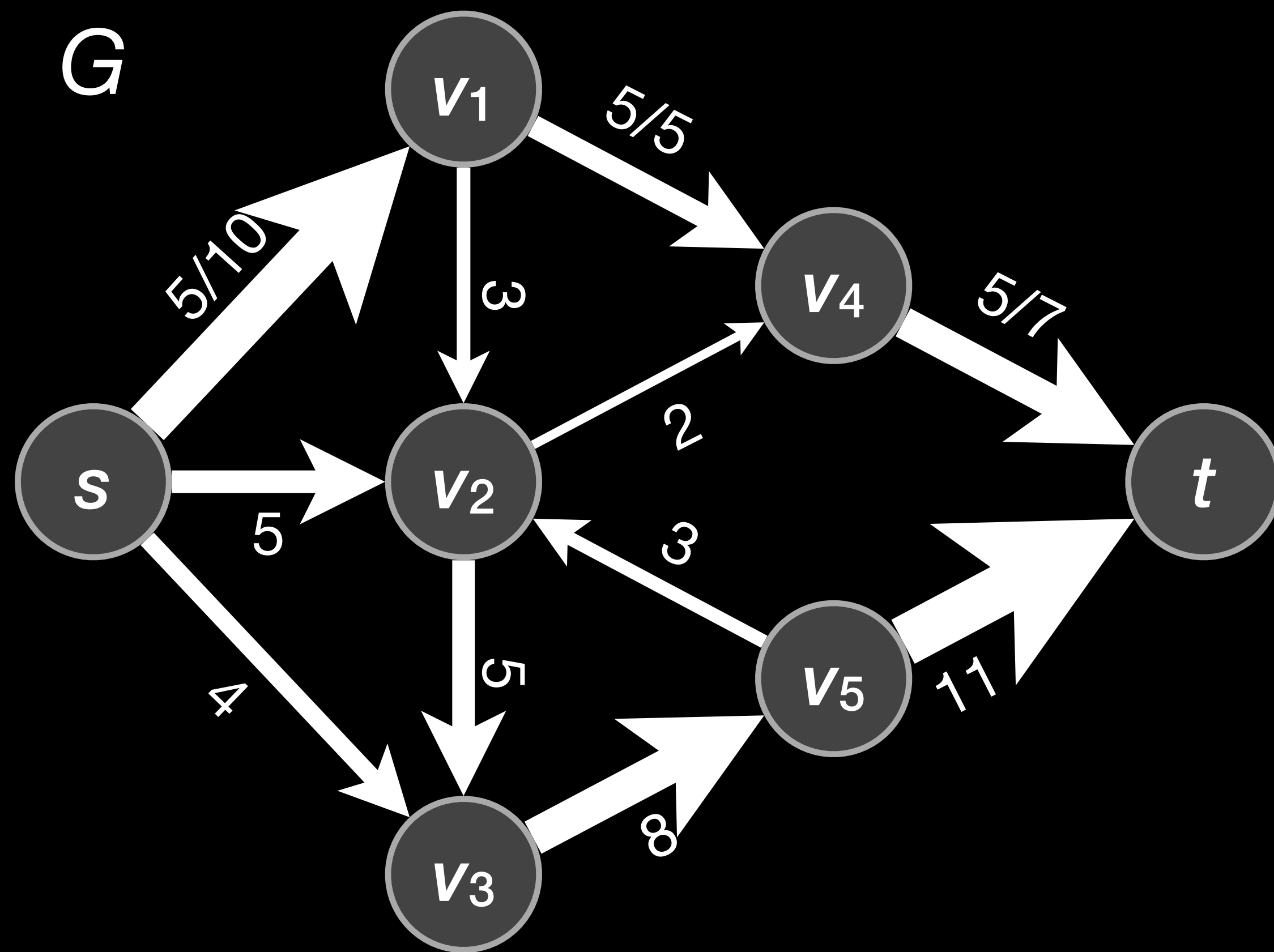
# Edmonds–Karp

- 引理26.7：对于所有的结点  $v \in V \setminus \{s, t\}$ ，残存网络  $G_f$  中的做短路径距离  $\delta_f(s, v)$  随着单调递增。
- 定理26.8：所执行的流量递增操作的总次数为  $O(|V| \cdot |E|)$ 。
- 推论：Edmonds–Karp的总运行时间为  $O(|V| \cdot |E|^2)$ 。

# Example

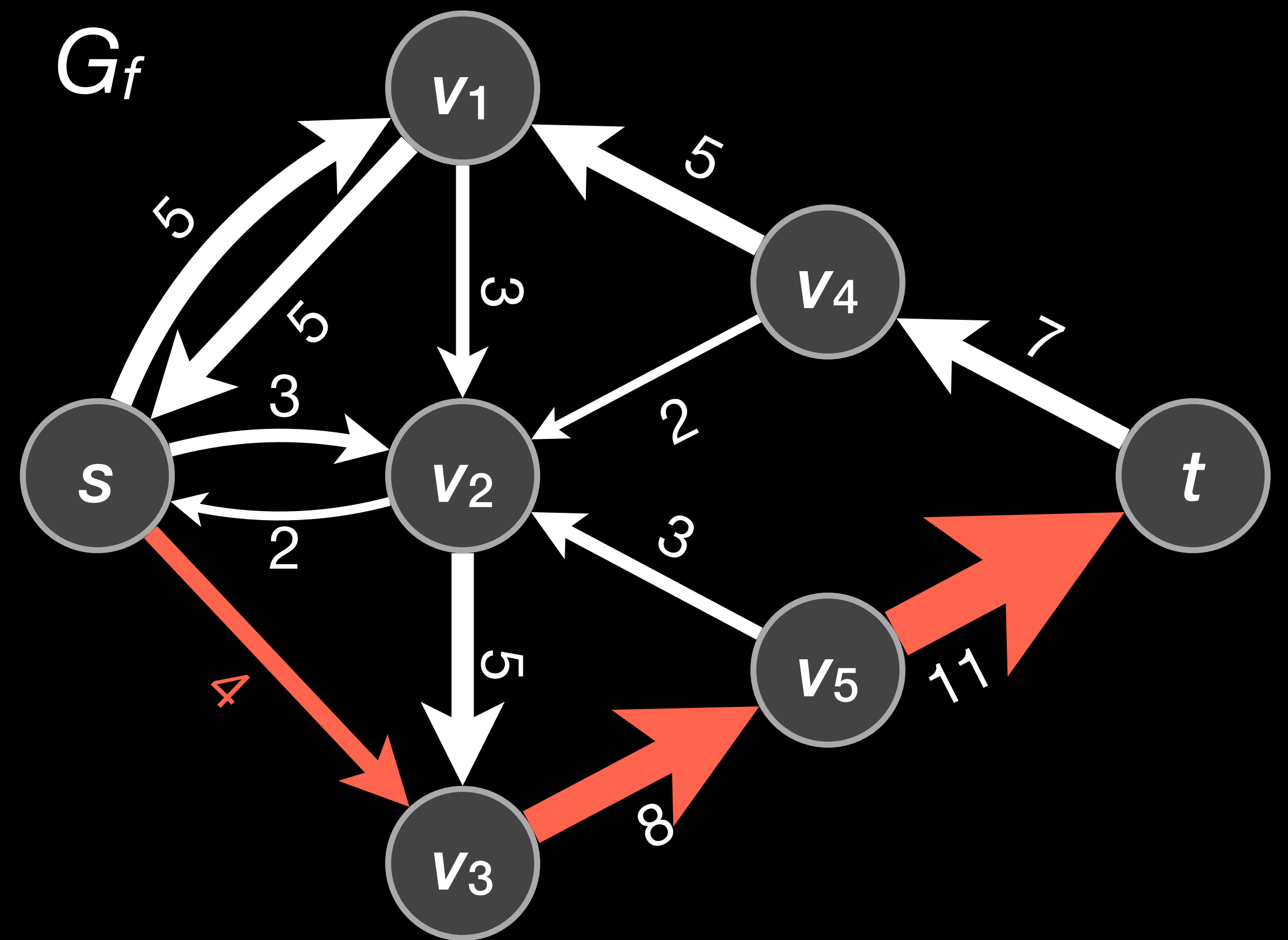
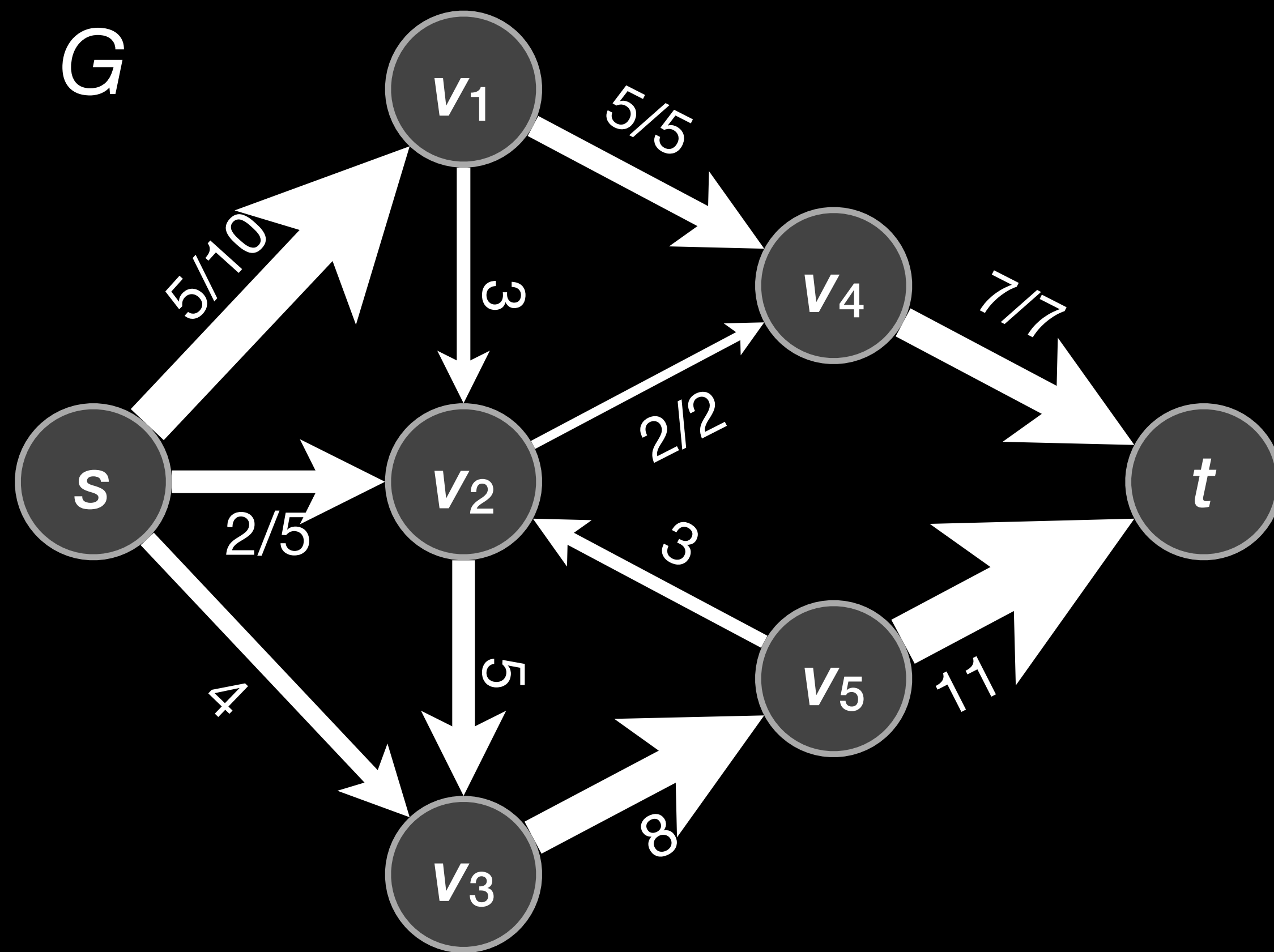


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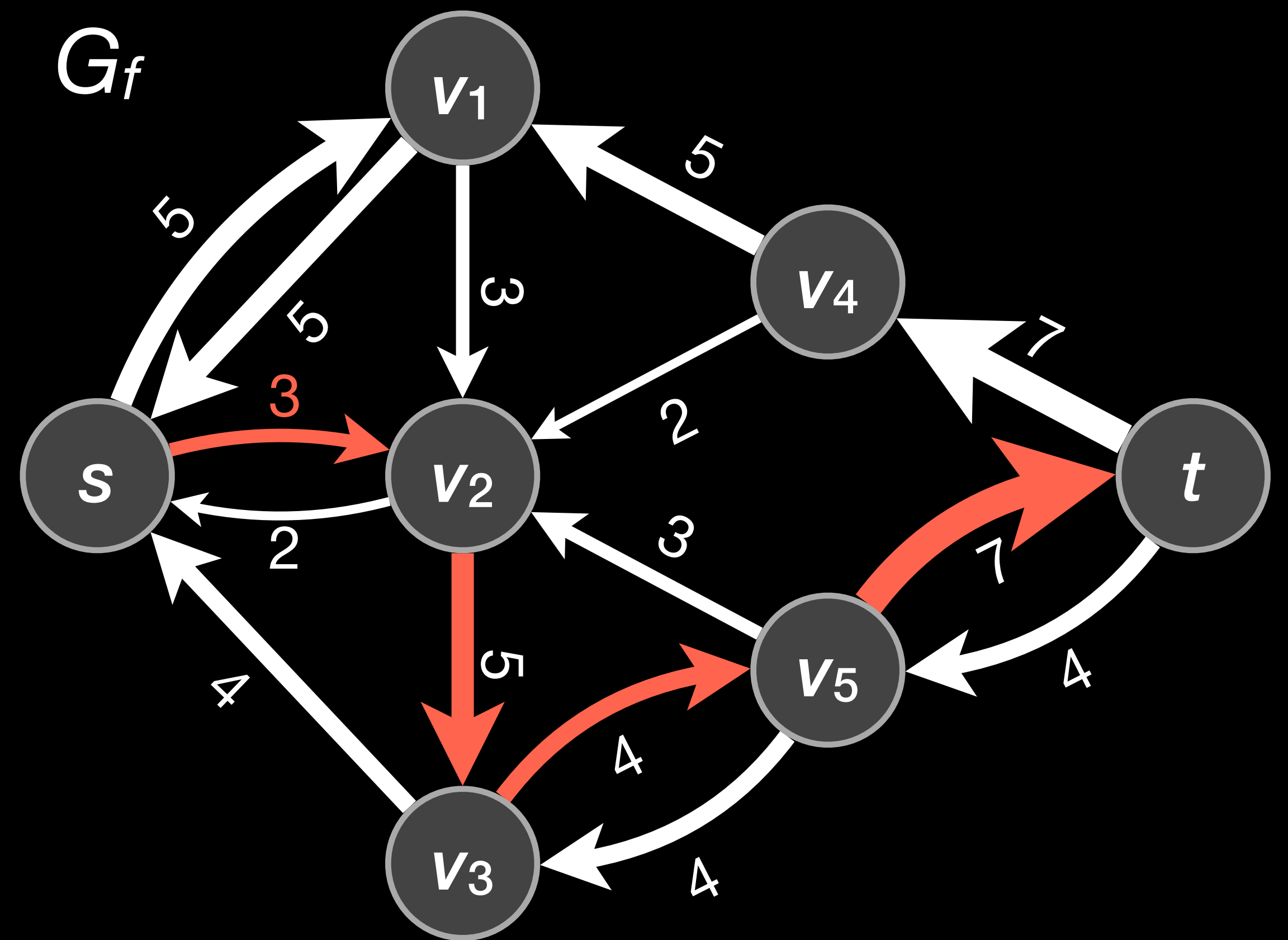
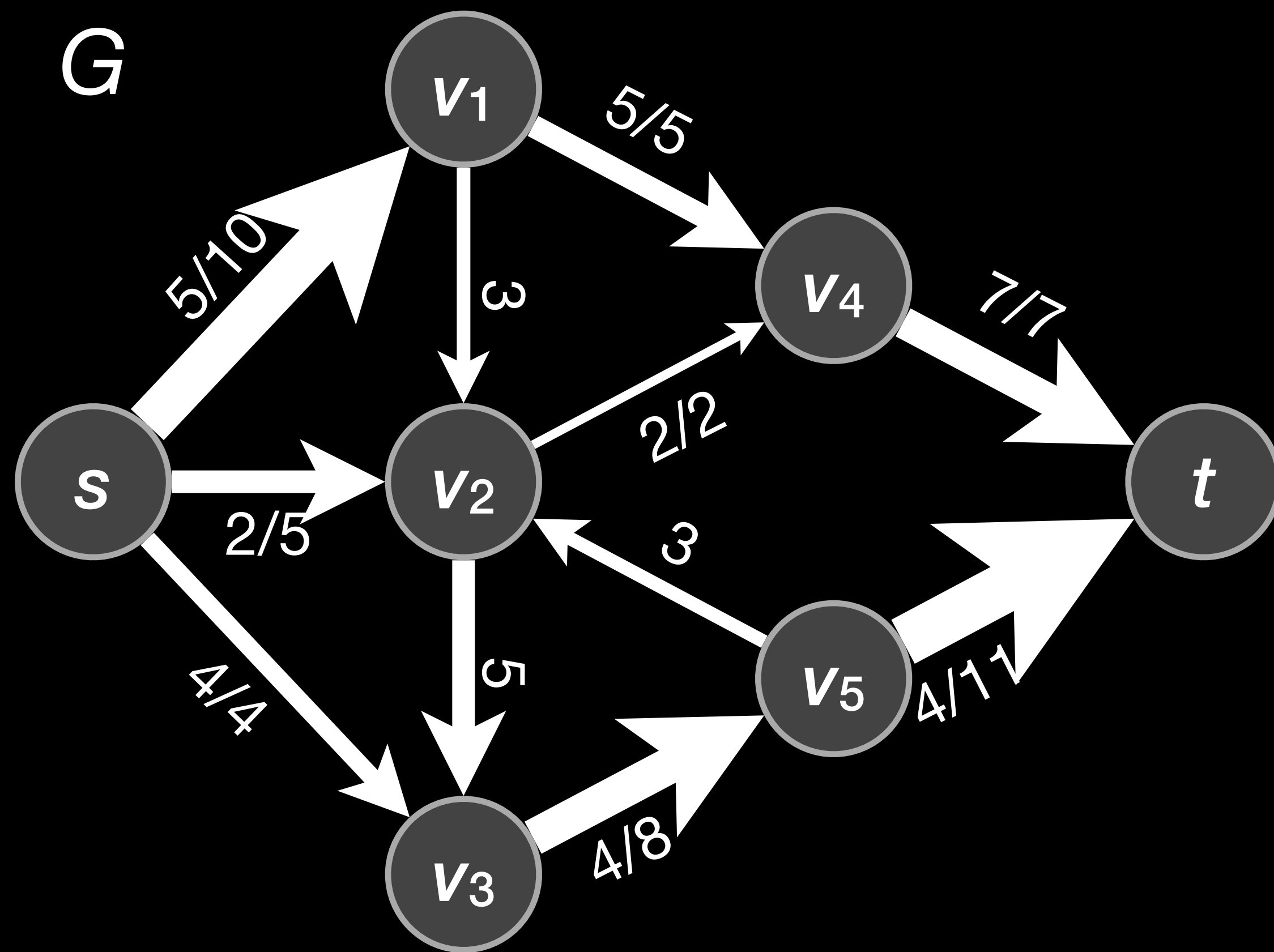




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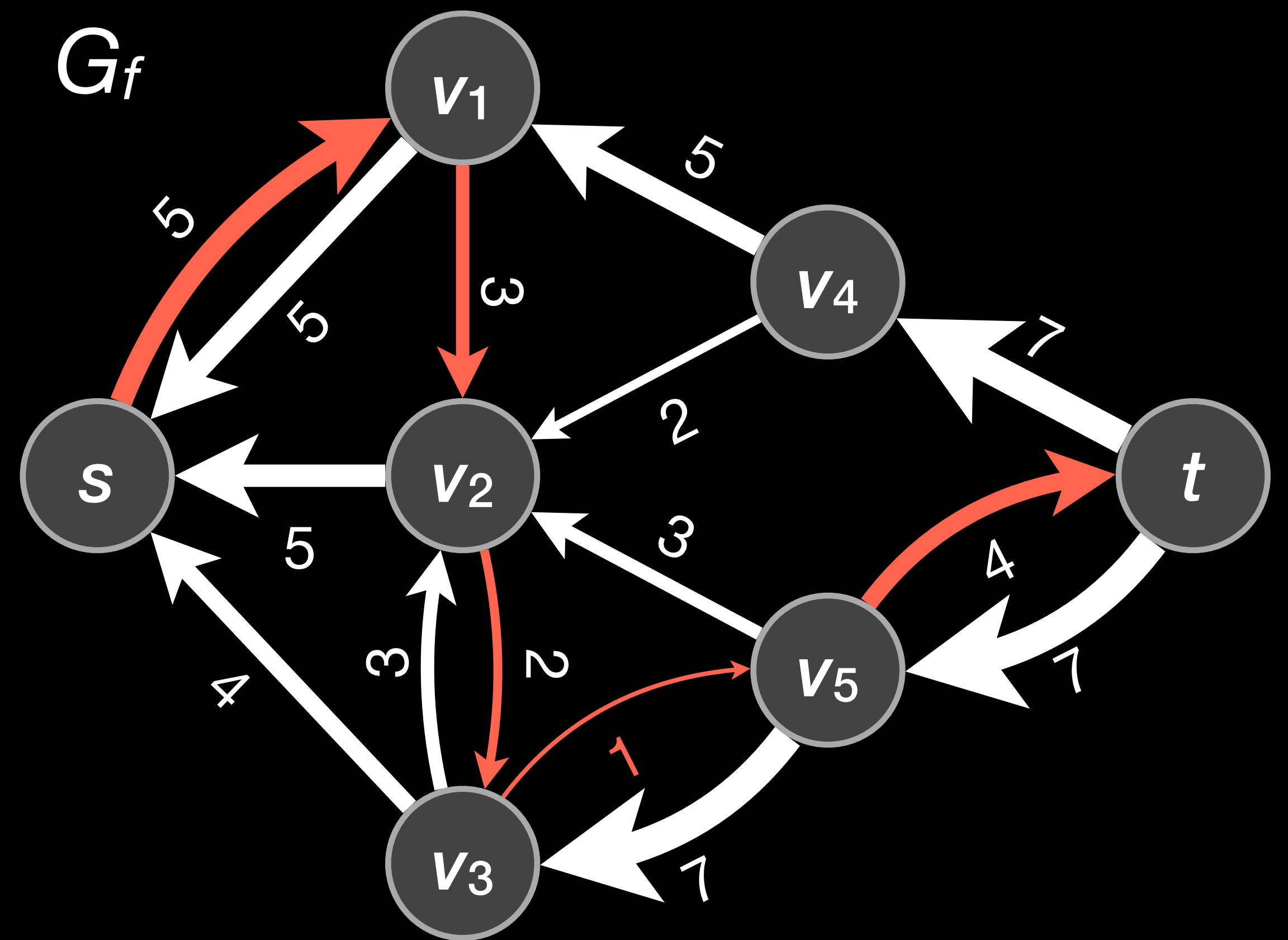
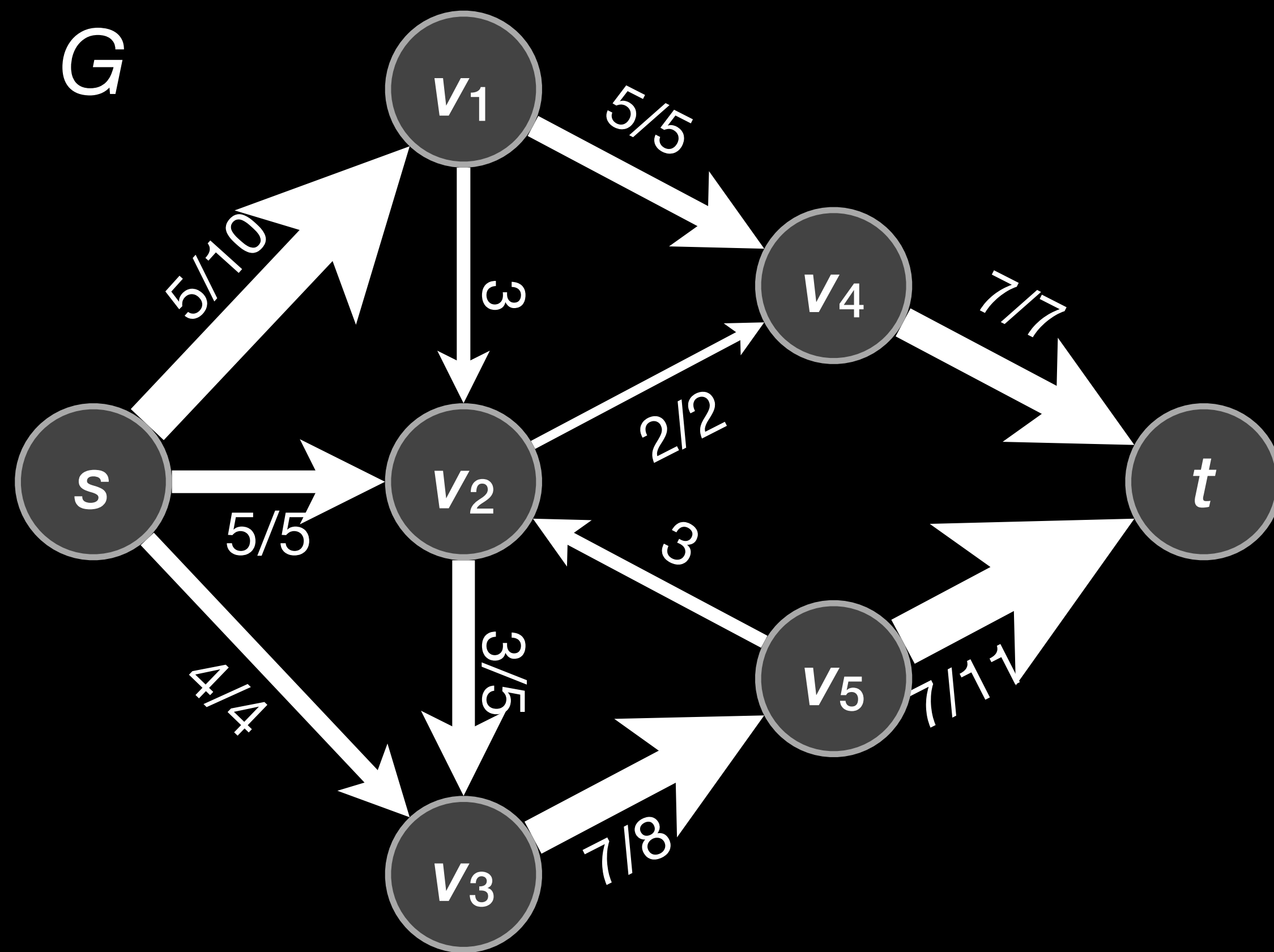


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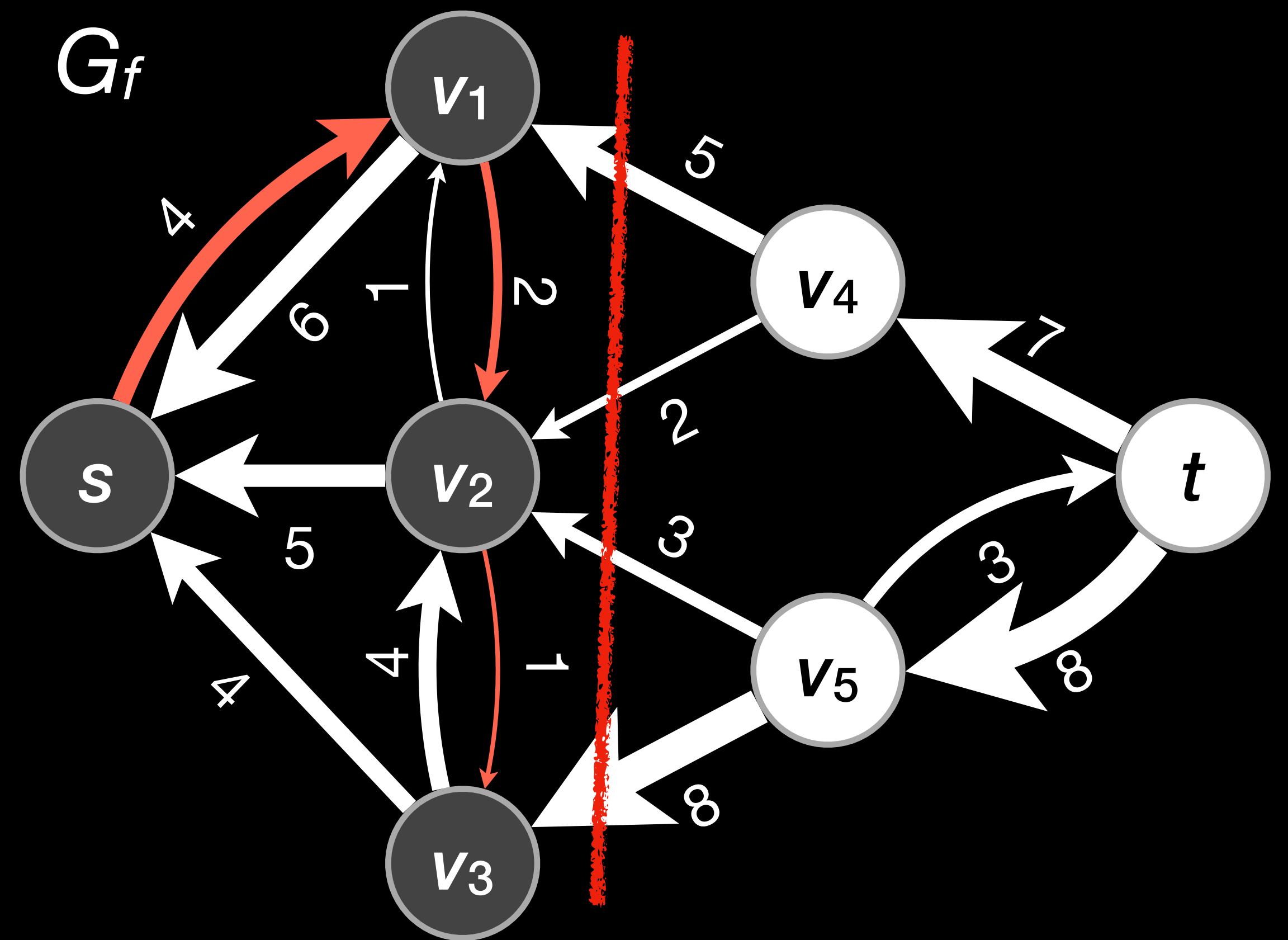
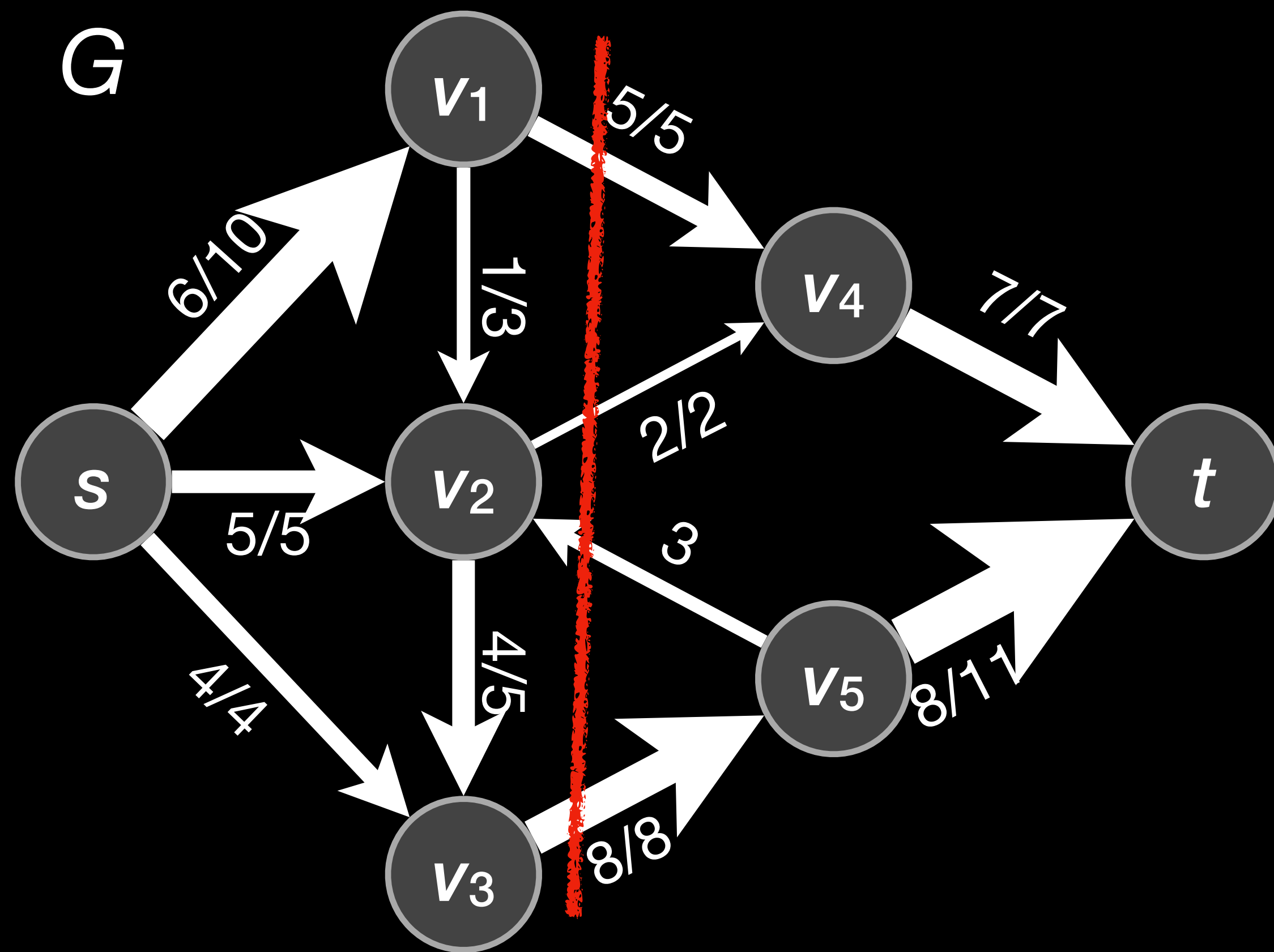




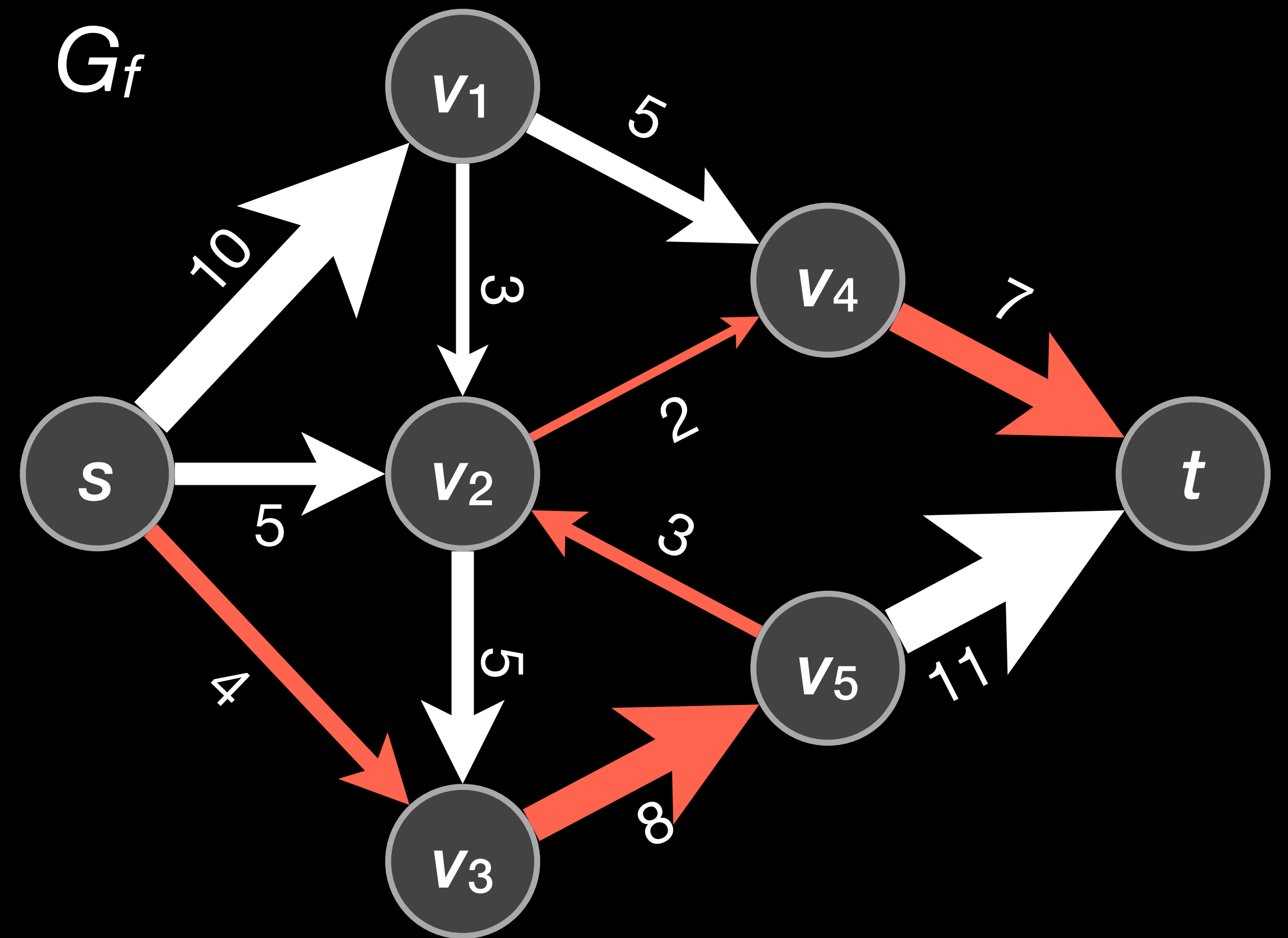
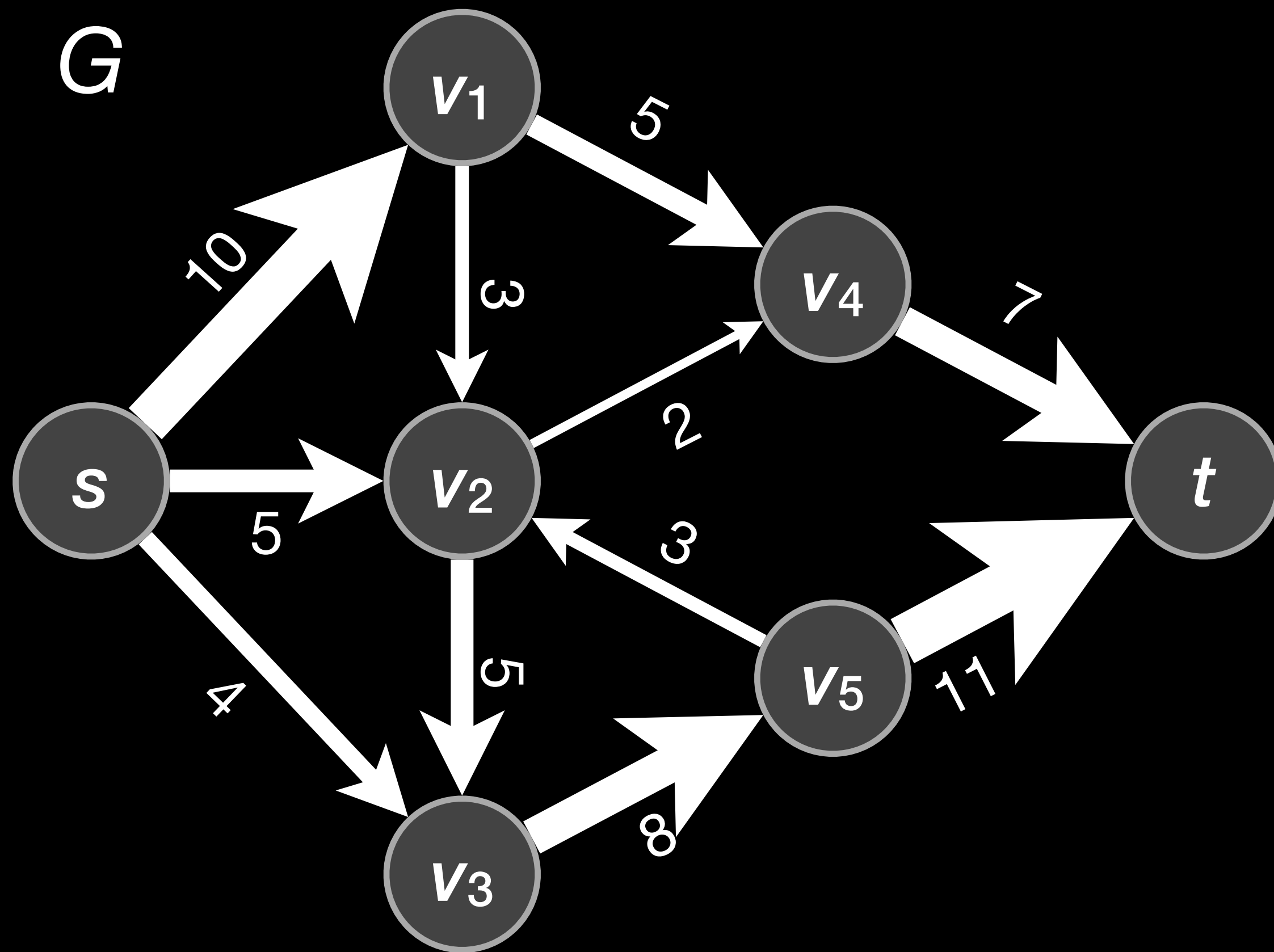
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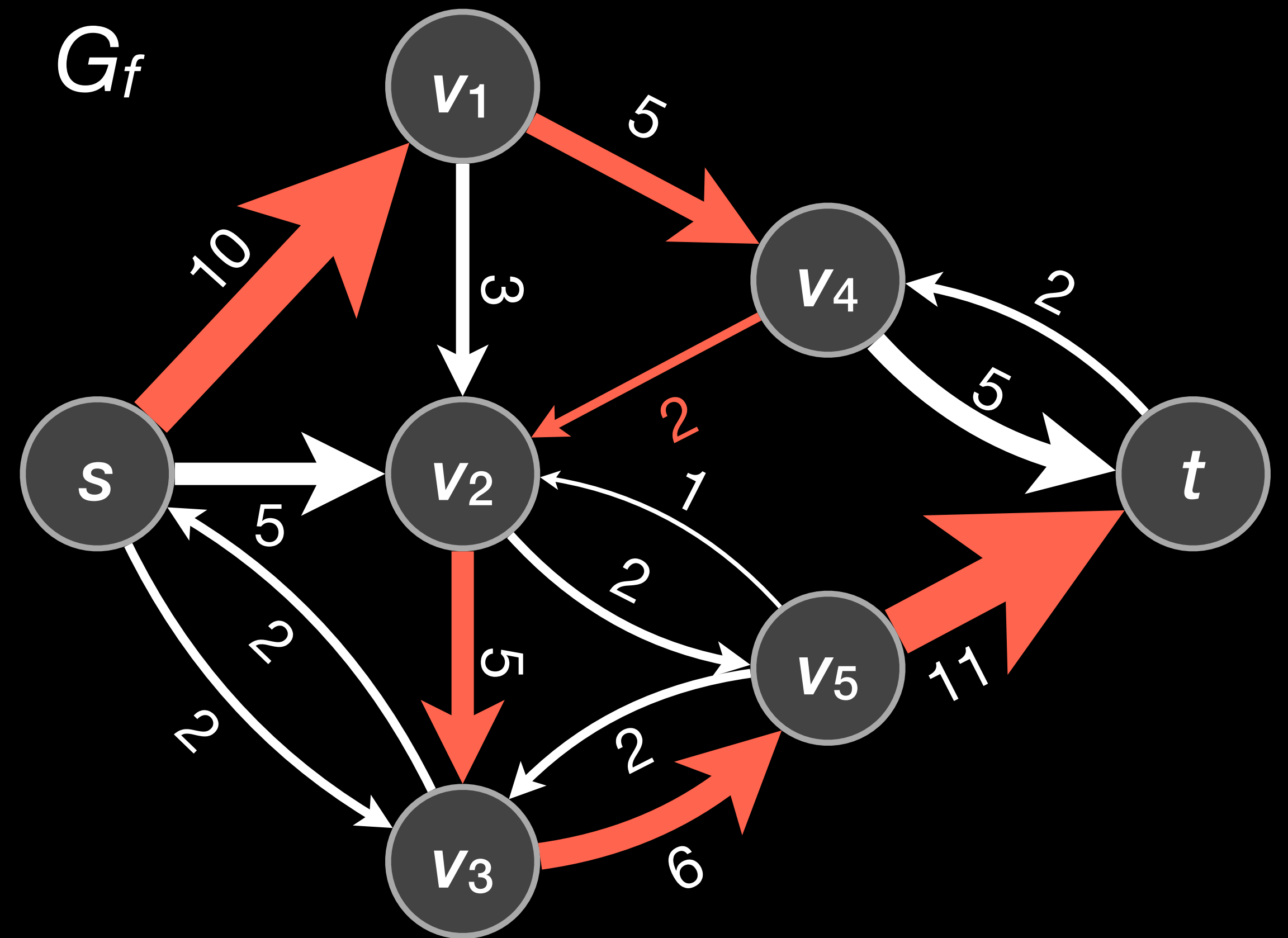
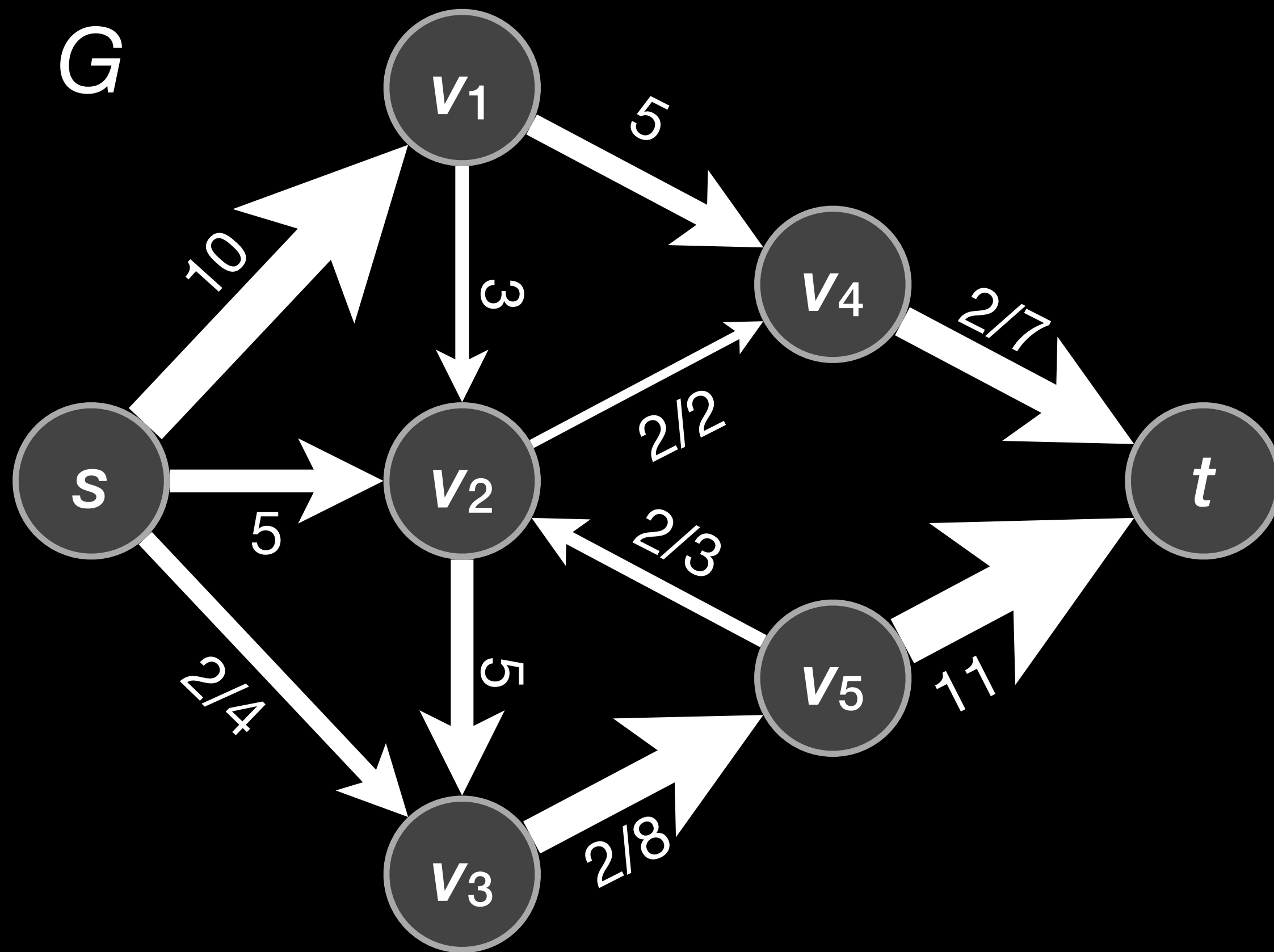
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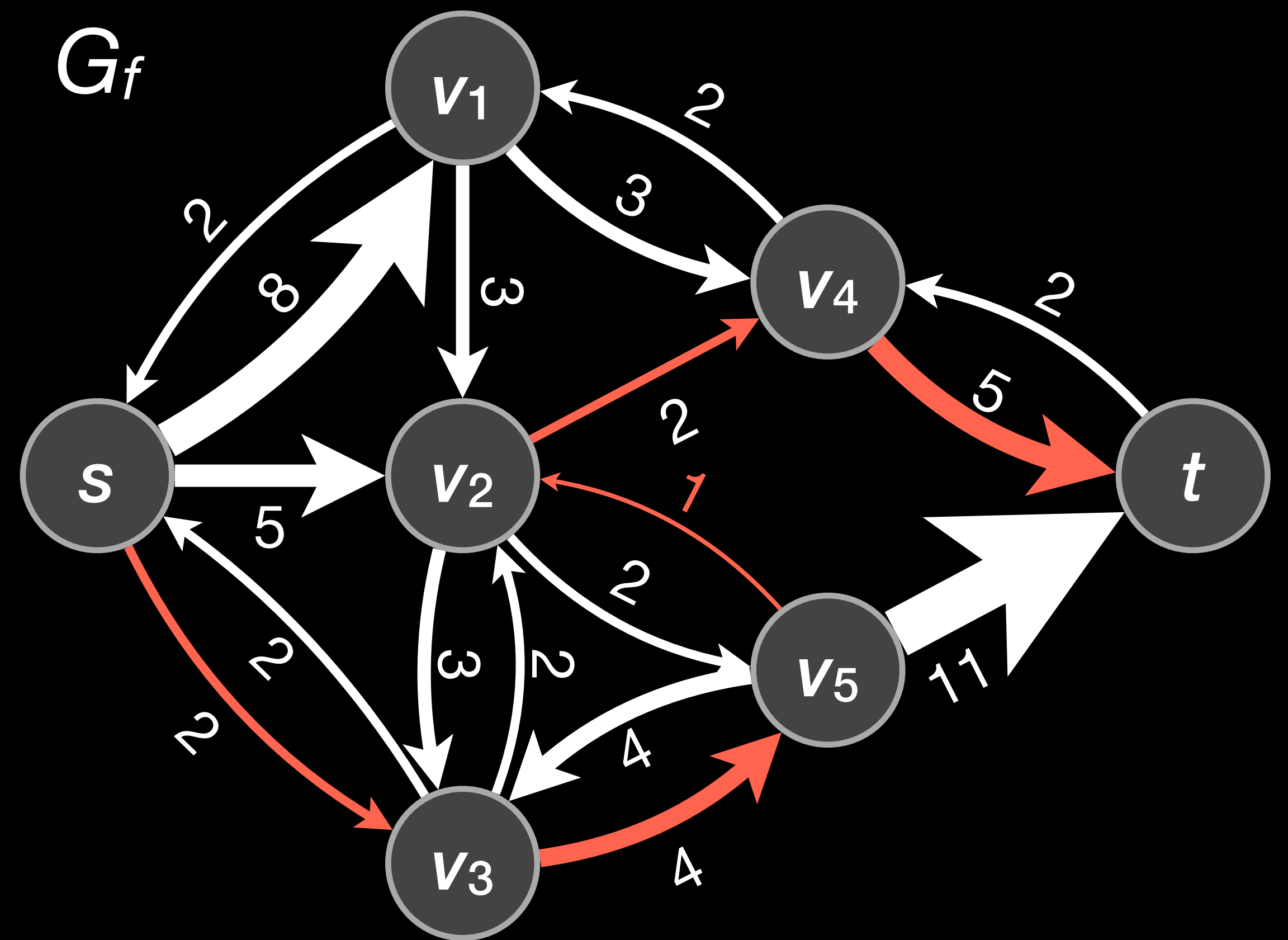
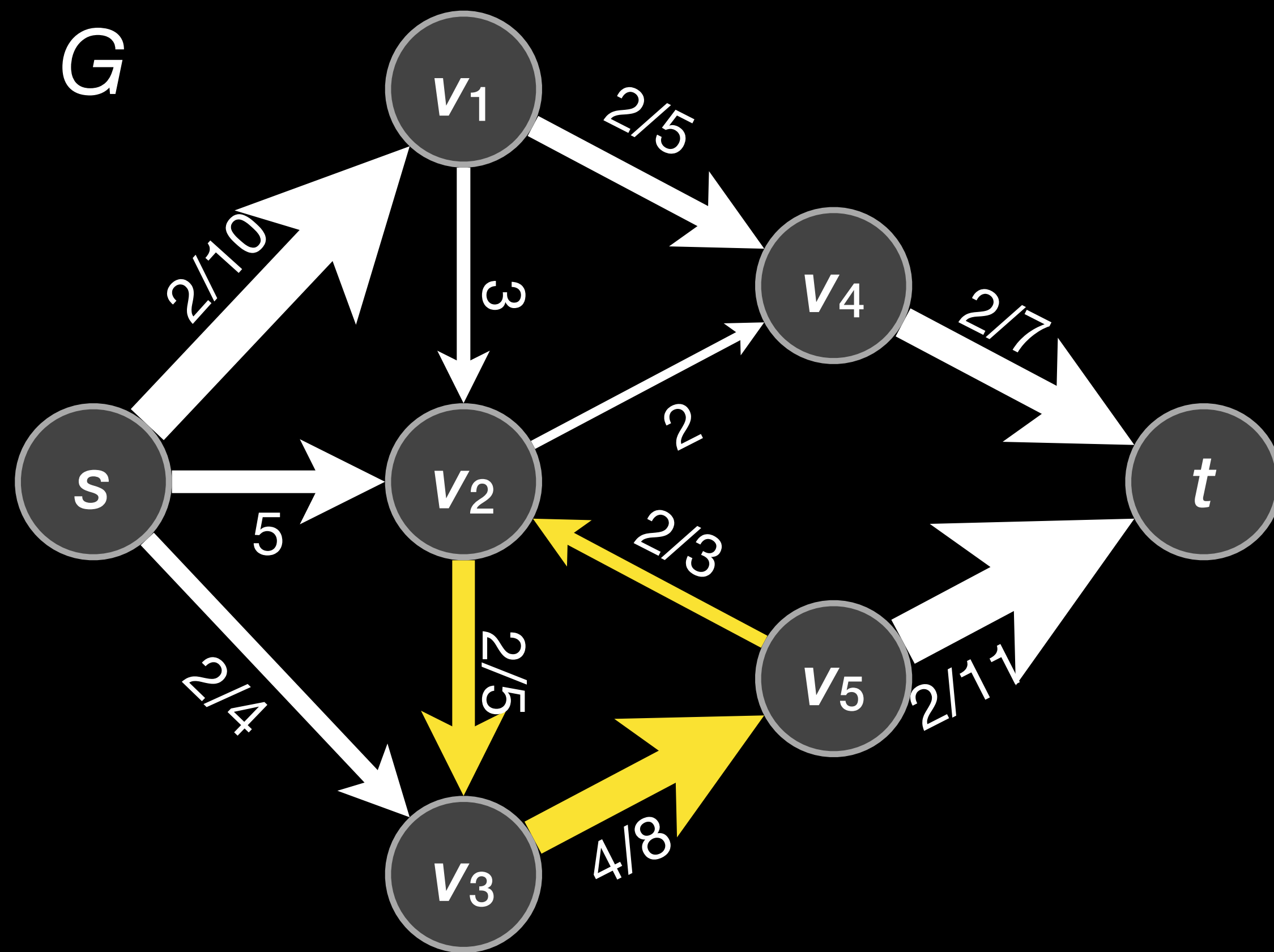
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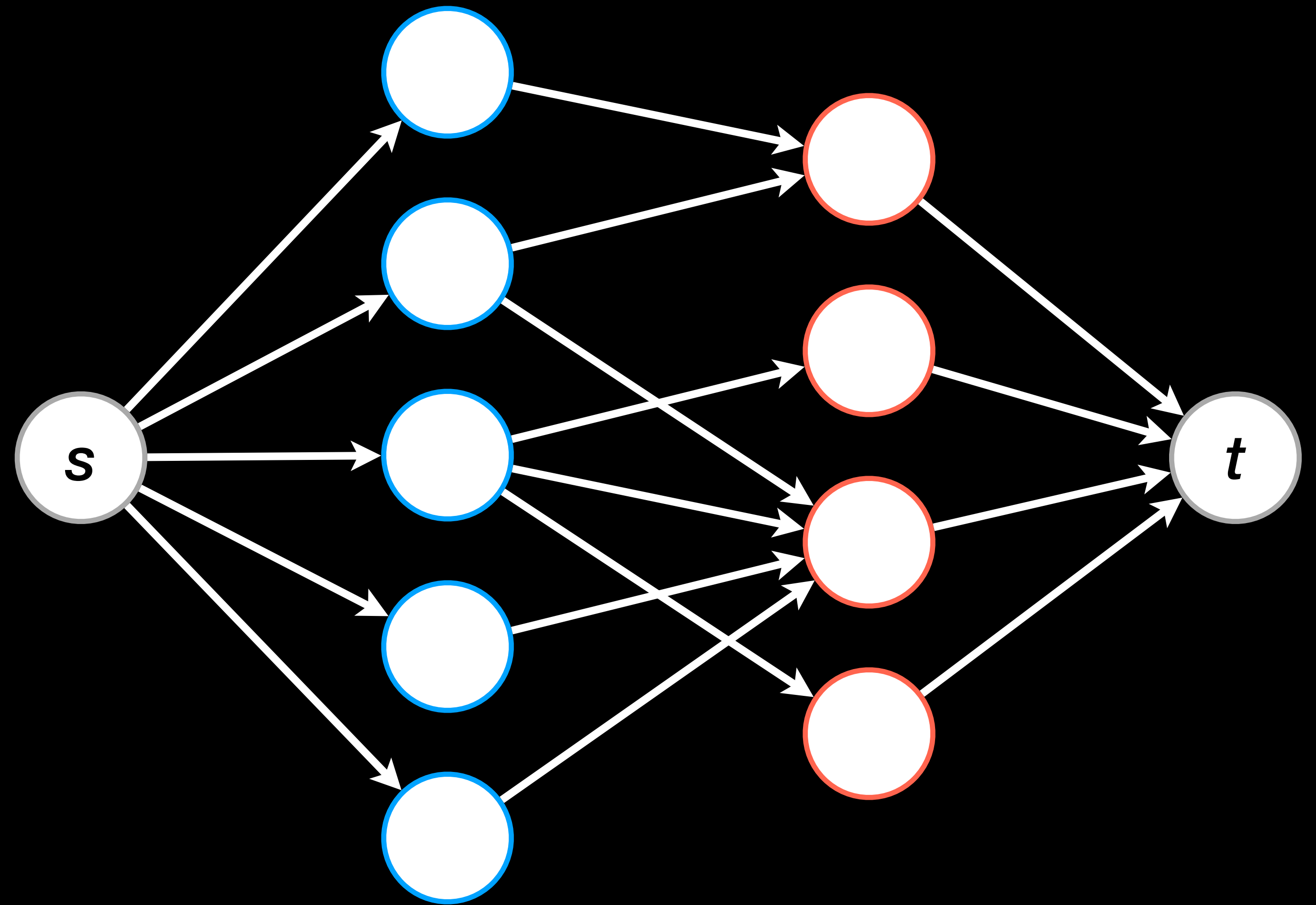
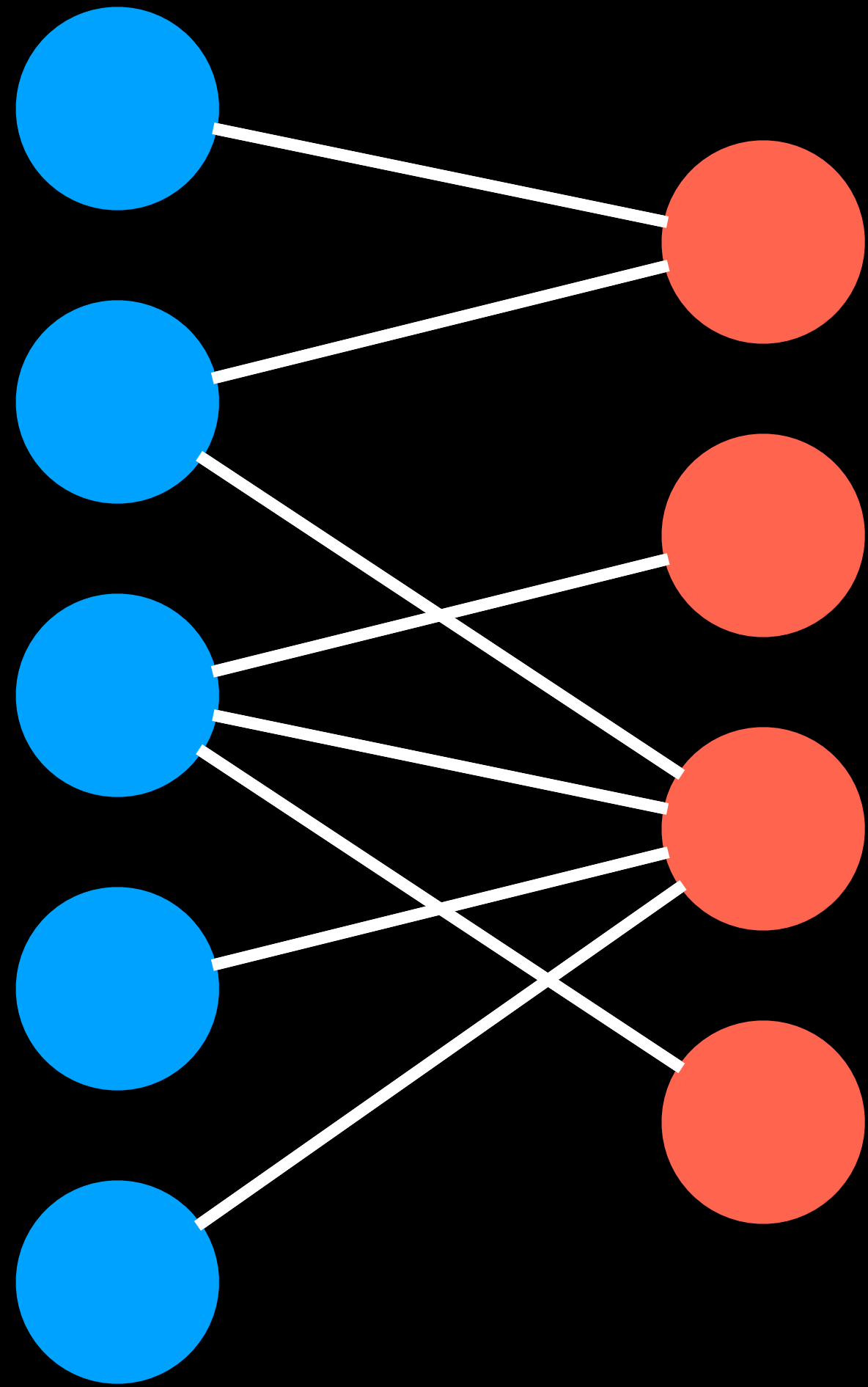
# Maximum Bipartite Matching 最大二分匹配

- one application of maximum flow
- illustration that maximum flow problems appear where one may not expect them.

# Maximum Bipartite Matching 最大二分匹配

- Example: We have a group of students and a number of apartments. Every student is allowed to indicate which apartment(s) s/he likes. The housing agency assigns as many students to apartments they like as possible.
- Bipartite graph 二分图  $G = (V, E)$  where  $V = L \cup R$ . Edges  $E \subseteq L \times R$ .  
A matching 匹配  $M$  is a subset of  $E$  that contains at most one edge for every vertex.
- The problem to find a maximum matching can be solved using maximum flow.

# Maximum Bipartite Matching 最大二分匹配

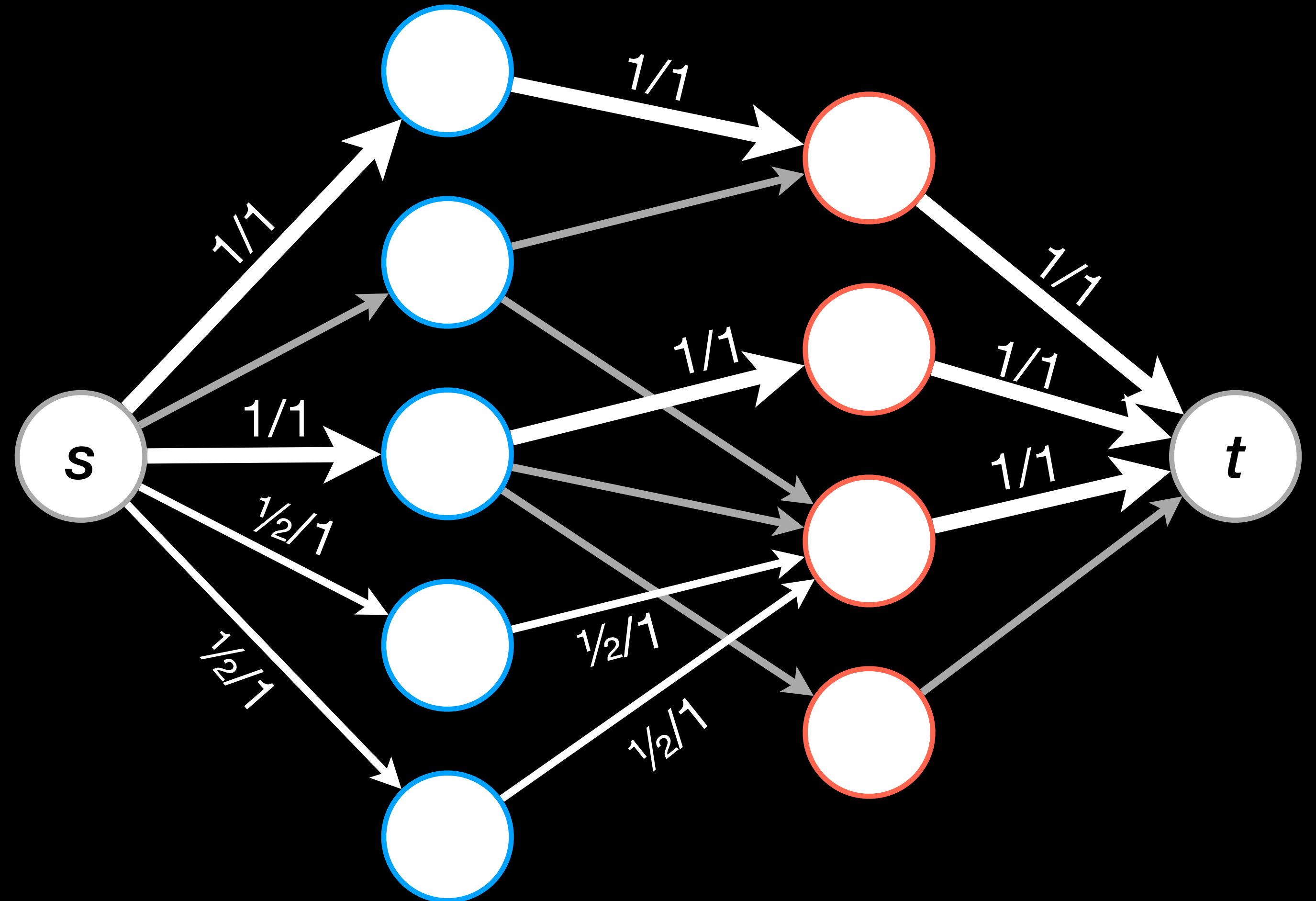
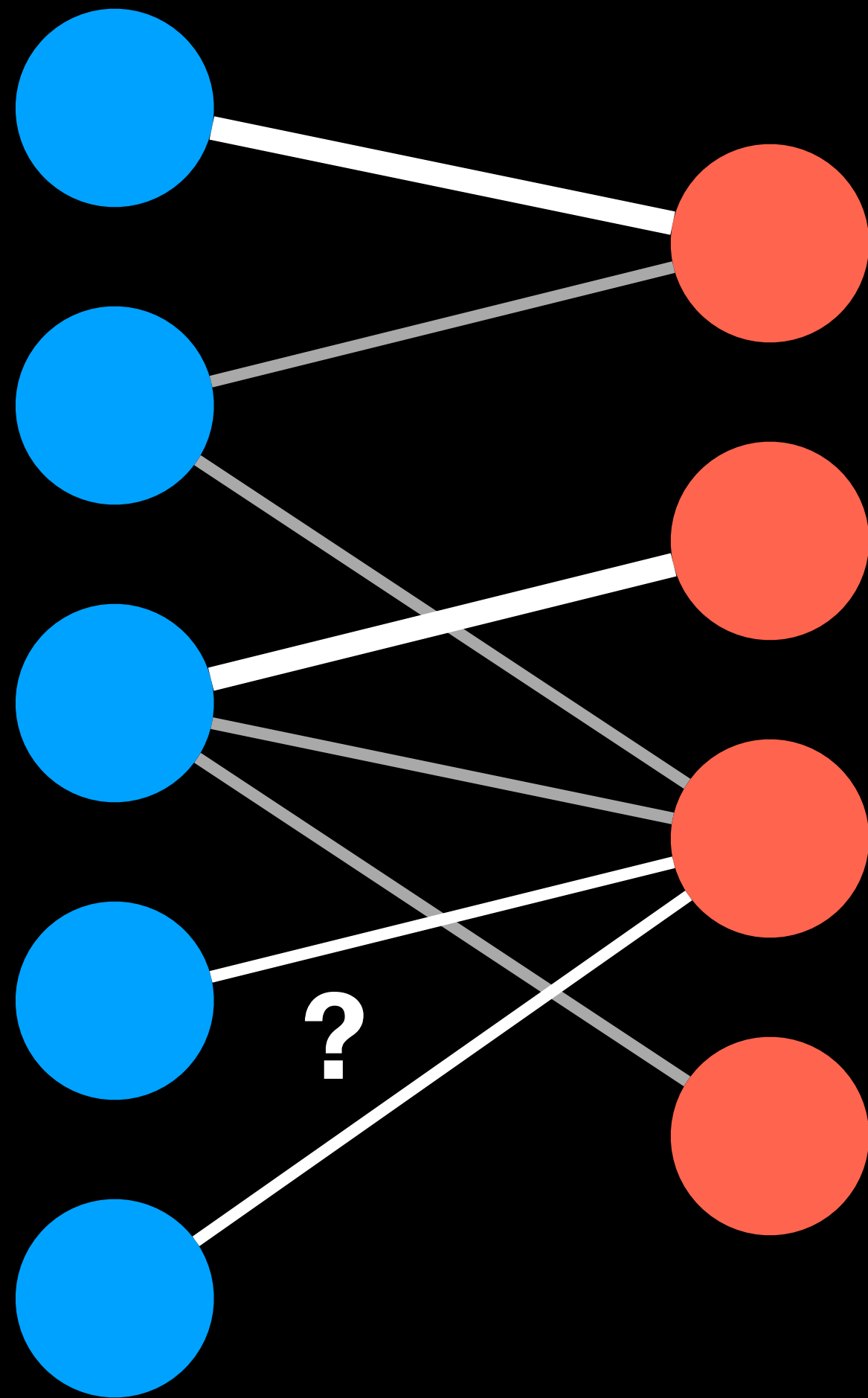




# Maximum Bipartite Matching 最大二分匹配

- Lemma 26.9: Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a bipartite graph (where  $V = L \cup R$  and  $E \subseteq L \times R$ ).  
Let  $G' = (V', E')$  be its corresponding flow network ( $V' = V \cup \{s, t\}$  and  $E' = E \cup \{s\} \times L \cup R \times \{t\}$ ).  
If there is a matching  $M \subseteq E$  in  $G$ ,  
then there is an integer-valued flow  $f$  in  $G'$  with  $|M| = |f|$ .  
If there is an integer-valued flow  $f$  in  $G'$ ,  
then there is a matching  $M \subseteq E$  in  $G$  with  $|M| = |f|$ .
- Note: “integer-valued”—required for a matching to exist.  
The Ford–Fulkerson method would normally produce an integer solution (see the discussion about running time).

# Maximum Bipartite Matching



# Summary

- Maximum flow problems pose the question “How much material/people/liquid/... can be transported from the source to the sink?”
- **Ford–Fulkerson** uses **augmenting paths** to approach the maximum flow.
- **Edmonds–Karp** improve timing by requiring the shortest augmenting paths to be selected.

# 总结

- 最大流问题提出了问题：“有多少材料/人/液体/...可以从源点运输到汇点？”
- **Ford-Fulkerson** 使用**增广路径**来接近最大流。
- **Edmonds–Karp** 选择最短的增广路径，来改进运行时间。

# Exercise 29.5-6

Solve the following linear program using  
SIMPLEX:

maximize 最大化

subject to 满足约束

用SIMPLEX求解下面的线性规划：

$$x_1 - 2x_2$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 4$$

$$-2x_1 - 6x_2 \leq -12$$

$$x_2 \leq 1$$

$$x_1 \geq 0$$

$$x_2 \geq 0$$

# Exercise 26.2-3

Show the execution of the Edmonds–Karp algorithm on the flow network of Figure 26.1(a).

在图 26.1(a) 所示的流网络上演示 Edmonds–Karp 算法的执行过程。

