

Single-Source Shortest Paths



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Definition

- ***Edge weight***

- ***Path weight***

- The sum of all edge weights in the path.

- ***A Shortest path*** from u to v .

- A path from u to v whose weight is the smallest.
- Vertex u is the *source* and v is the *destination*.

- ***The Shortest-path weight*** from u to v .

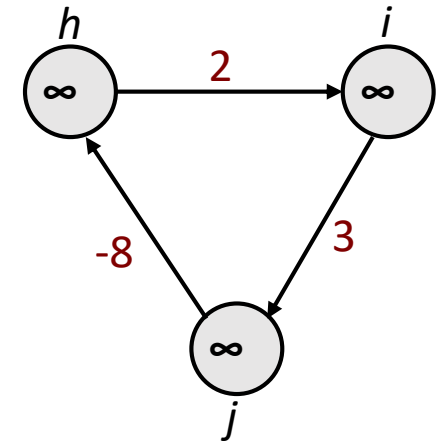
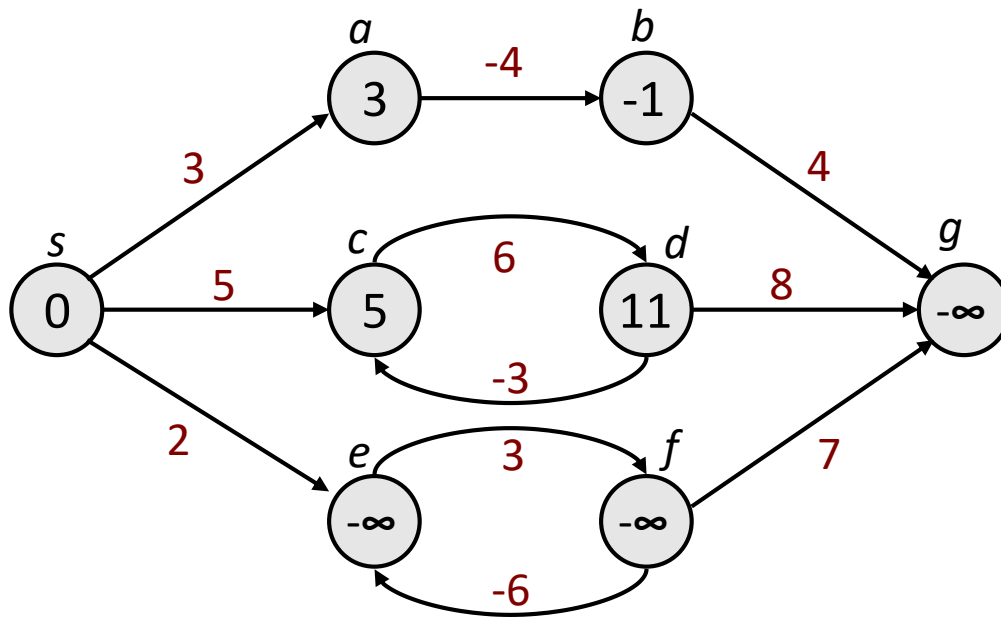
- The weight of a shortest-path from u to v
- $\delta(u,v)$

◆ Shortest-path problems

- Single-source & single-destination
- Single-source
- Single-destination
- All pairs

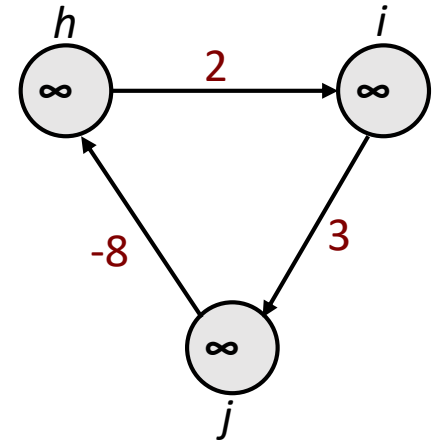
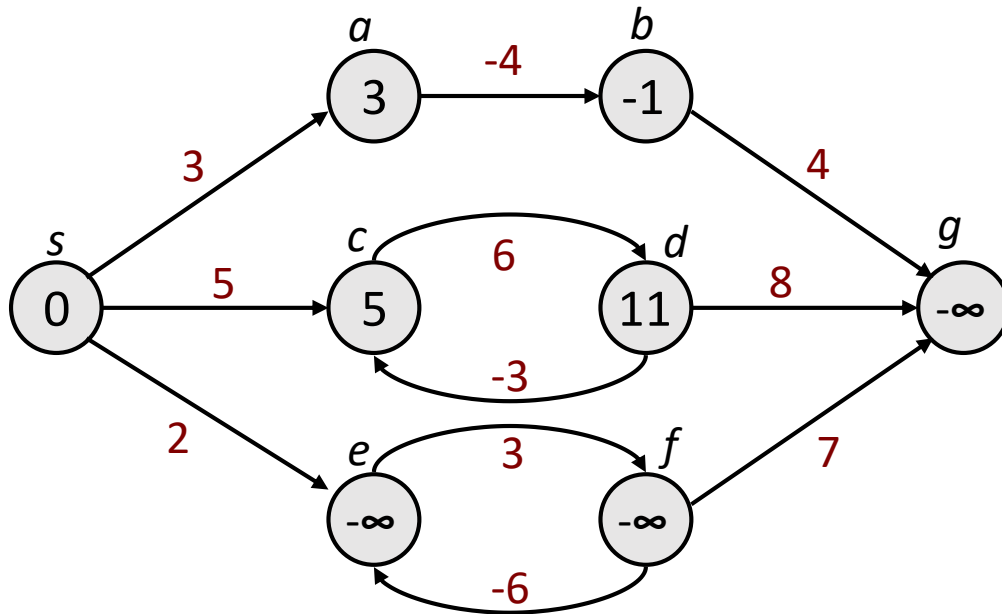
Negative-weight edges

◆ What is a shortest path from s to g ?



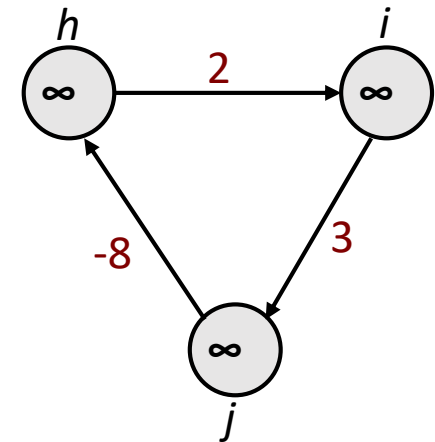
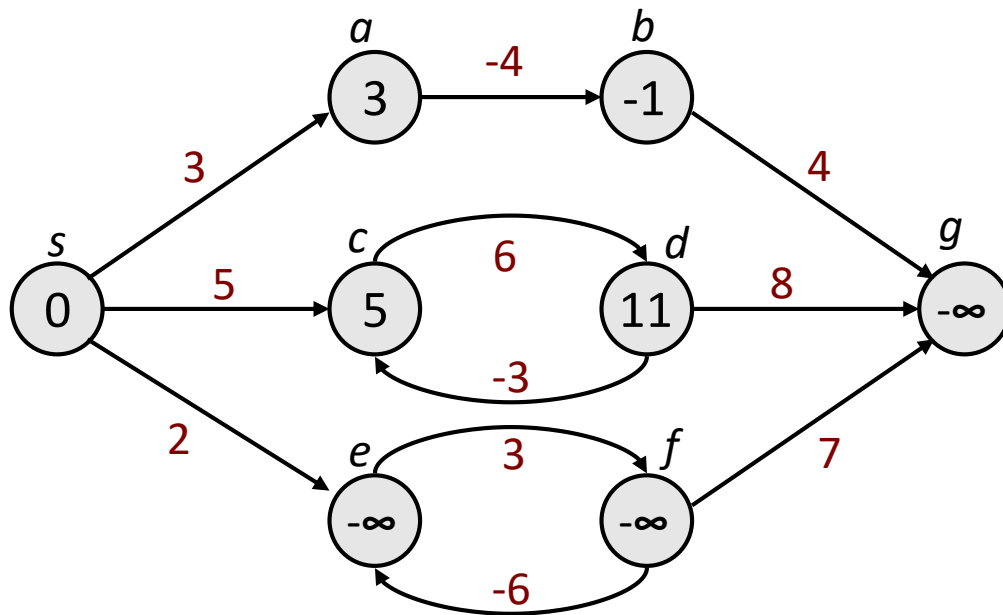
Negative-weight edges

- ◆ Do all negative-weight edges make problems?
- ◆ Do all negative-weight cycles make problems?



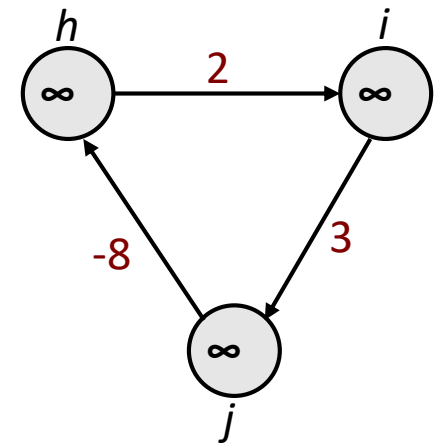
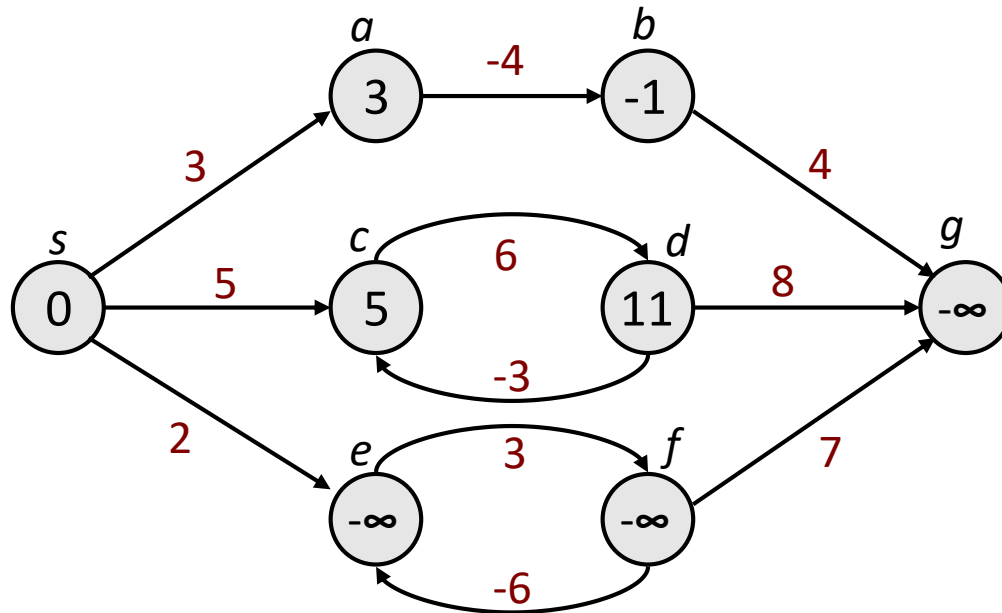
Negative-weight edges

- ◆ Do all negative-weight cycles reachable from the source make problems?



Negative-weight edges

- ◆ Single-source shortest paths can be defined if there are not any *negative-weight cycles reachable from the source*.



Cycles

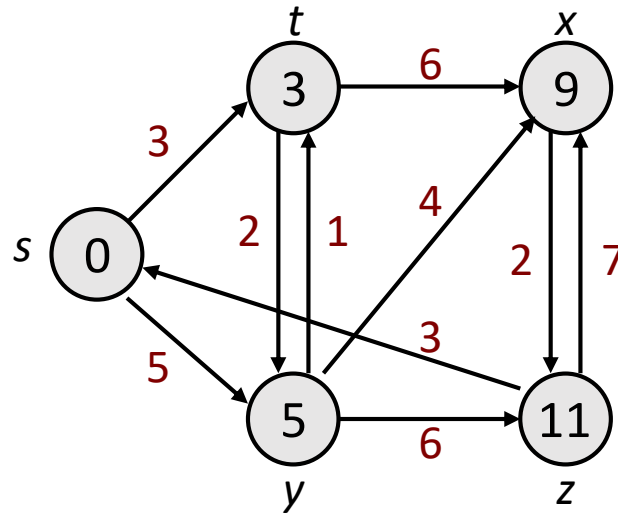
◆ Cycles

- A shortest path does not include cycles.
- A shortest-path length is at most $|V|-1$.

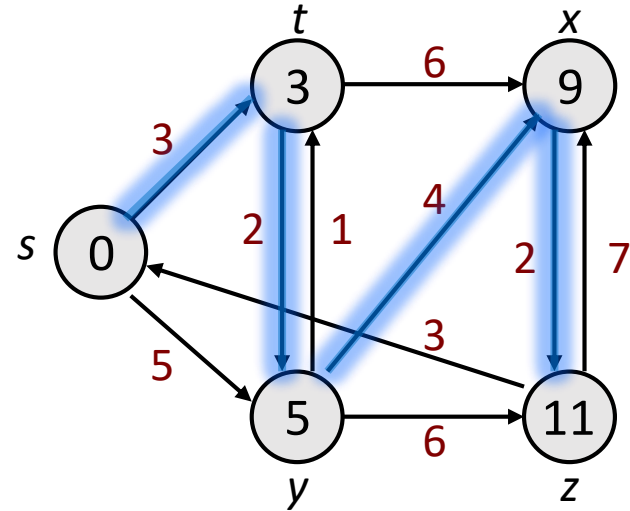
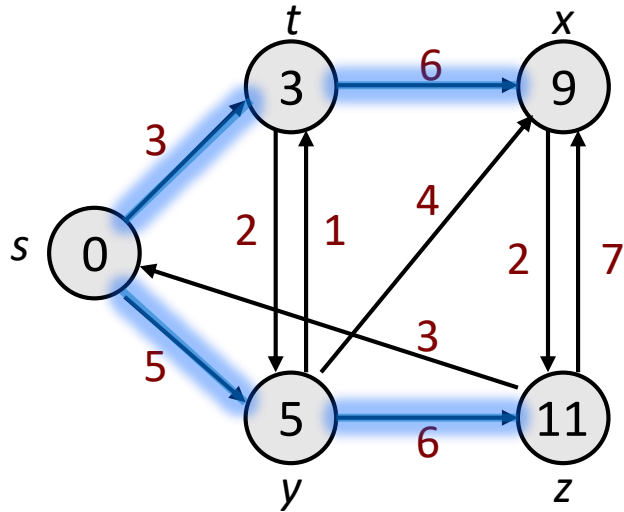
Predecessor subgraph

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- Shortest-path tree
- Optimal substructure

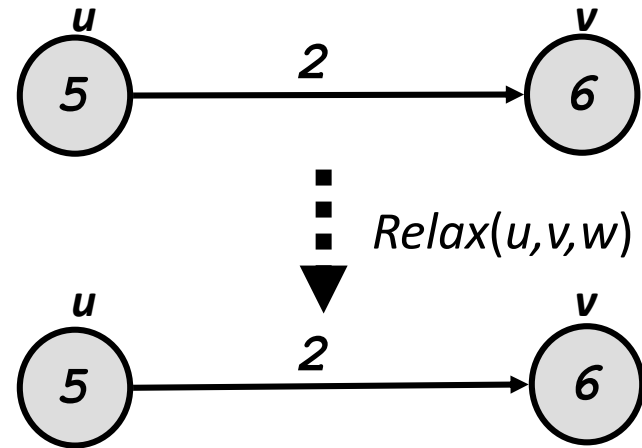
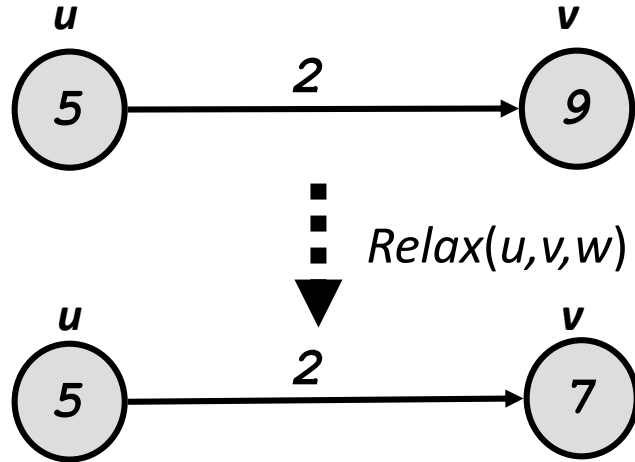


Predecessor subgraph



Relaxation

◆ Relaxation on (u, v)



Dijkstra's algorithm

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- It works properly when all edge weights are *nonnegative*.

Dijkstra's algorithm

DIJKSTRA(G, w, s)

1 INITIALIZE-SINGLE-SOURCE(G, s)

2 $S \leftarrow \emptyset$

3 $Q \leftarrow V[G]$

4 while $Q \neq \emptyset$

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

6 $S \leftarrow S \cup \{u\}$

7 for each vertex $v \in \text{Adj}[u]$

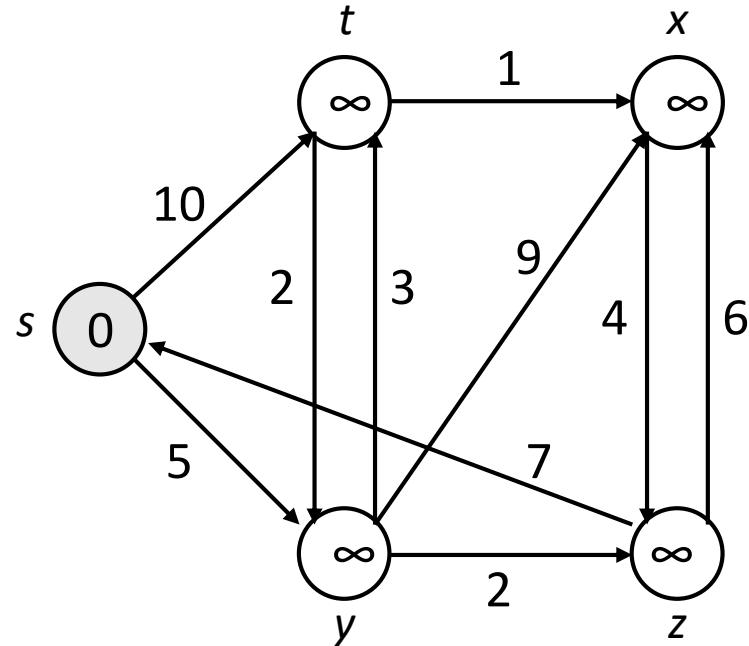
8 do **RELAX(u, v, w)**

Dijkstra's Algorithm

Q

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|-----|----------|----------|----------|----------|
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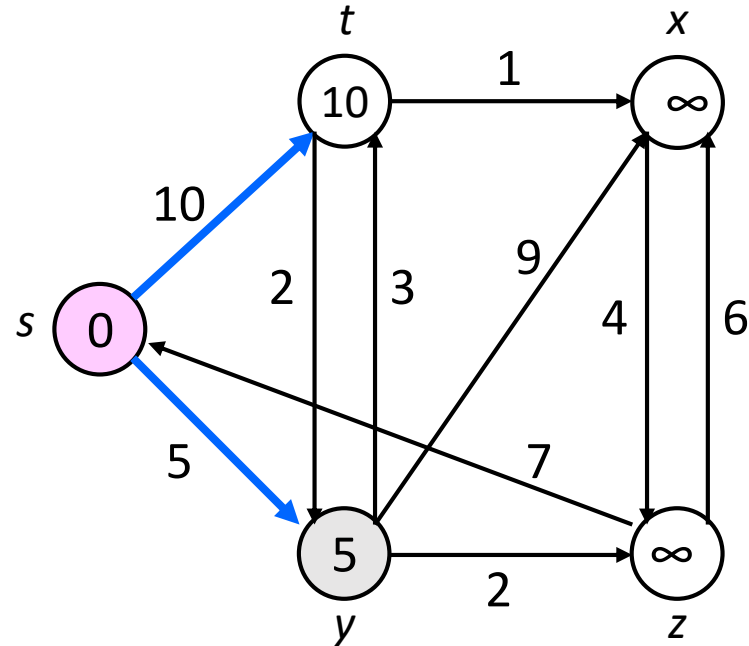
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Dijkstra's Algorithm

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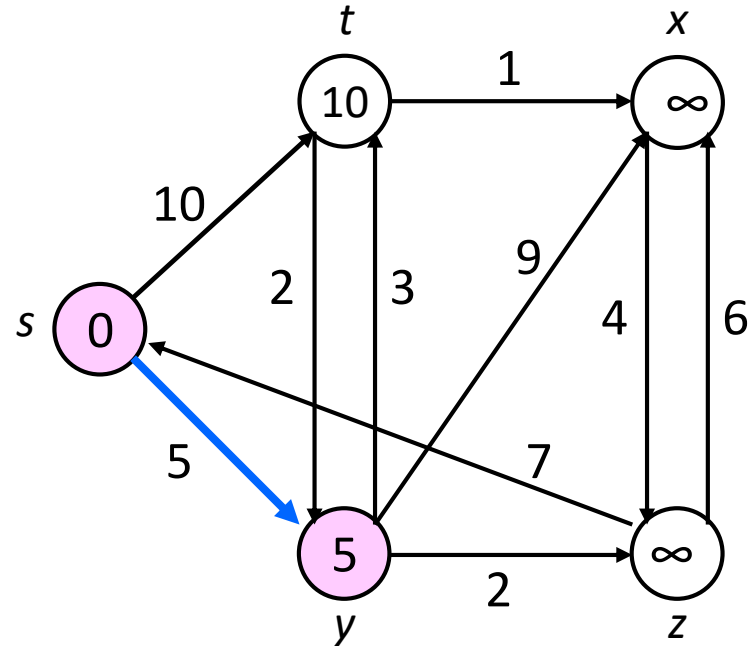


S={*s*}

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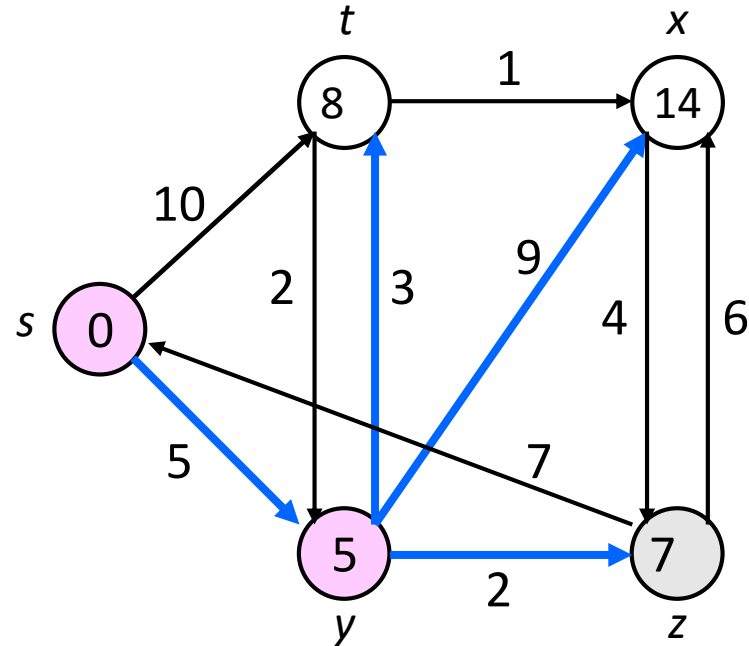


$S = \{s, y\}$

Dijkstra's Algorithm

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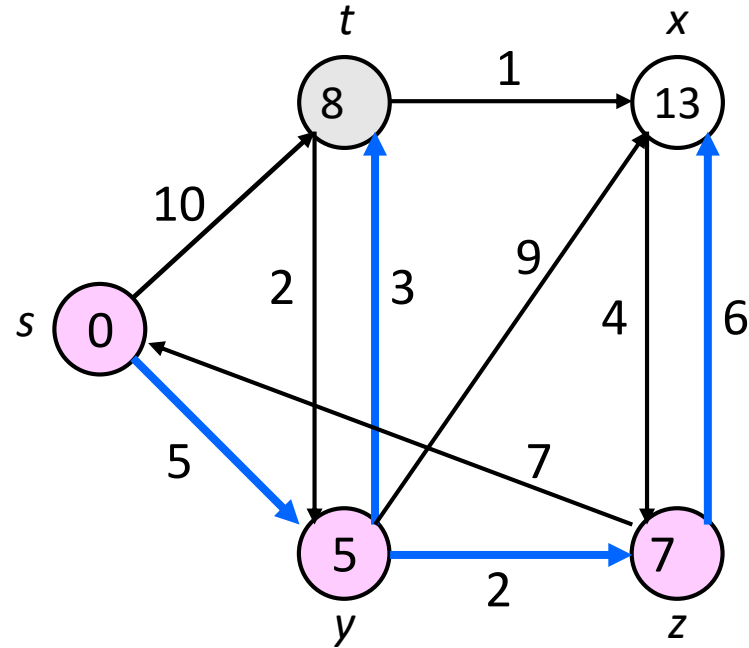


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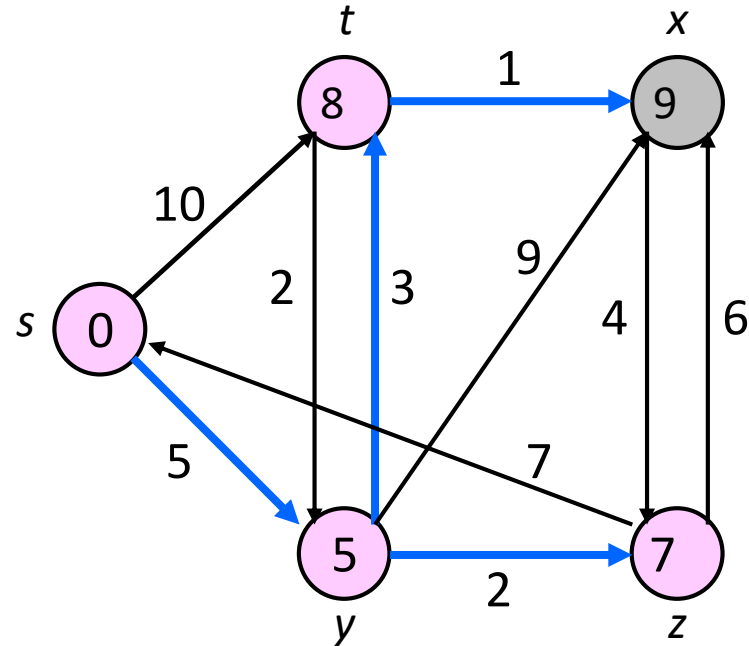
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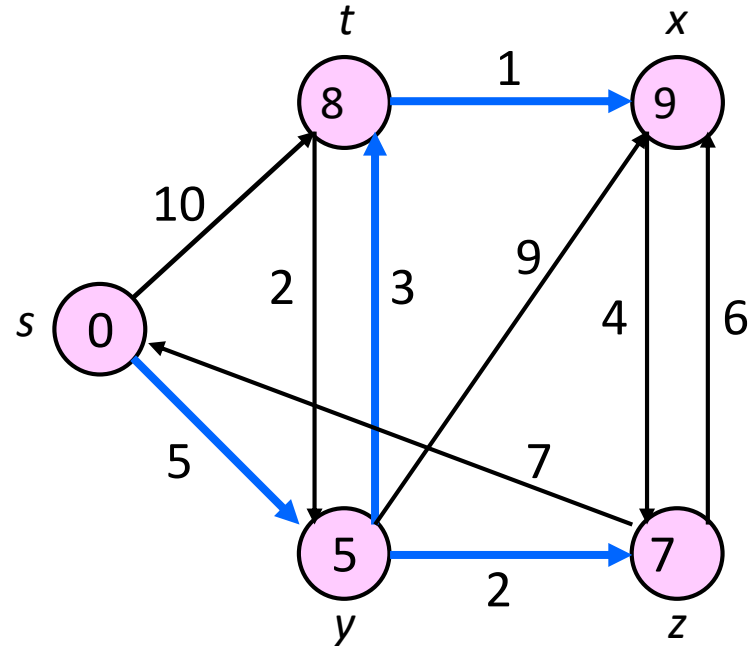


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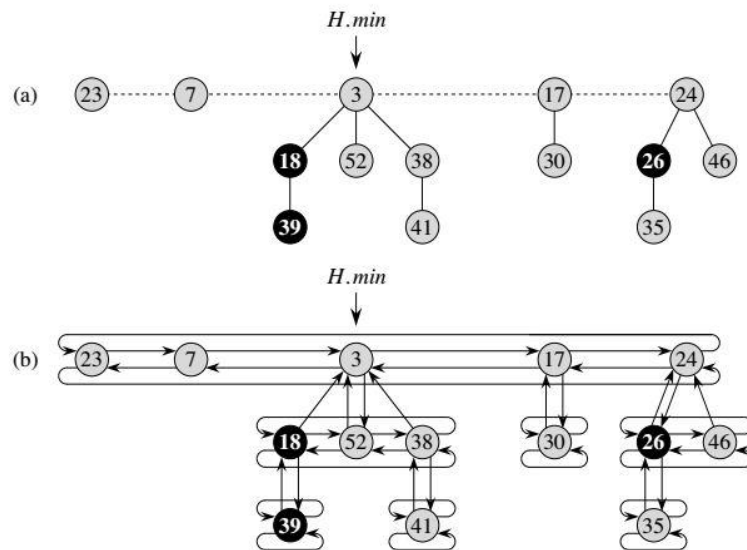
7 for each vertex $v \in \text{Adj}[u]$

8 do **RELAX(u, v, w)**

Dijkstra's algorithm

◆ Running time

- $O(V^2)$ if we use an array
- $O(V \lg V + E \lg V)$ if we use a heap
- $O(V \lg V + E)$ if we use a Fibonacci heap.



| Procedure | Binary heap (worst-case) | Fibonacci heap (amortized) |
|--------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| MAKE-HEAP | $\Theta(1)$ | $\Theta(1)$ |
| INSERT | $\Theta(\lg n)$ | $\Theta(1)$ |
| MINIMUM | $\Theta(1)$ | $\Theta(1)$ |
| EXTRACT-MIN | $\Theta(\lg n)$ | $O(\lg n)$ |
| UNION | $\Theta(n)$ | $\Theta(1)$ |
| DECREASE-KEY | $\Theta(\lg n)$ | $\Theta(1)$ |
| DELETE | $\Theta(\lg n)$ | $O(\lg n)$ |

Fibonacci heap

Dijkstra's algorithm

Definitions

- **length** of a path: sum of edge weights along the path
- **distance** from u to v , $\delta(u, v)$: minimum length

Problem: Given a directed graph with NONNegative edge weights $G = (V, E)$, and a special source vertex $s \in V$, determine the distance from the source vertex to every vertex in G .

- **$d[v]$** : estimate the shortest path
- **$\pi[v]$** : predecessor pointer of the path

Dijkstra's algorithm

Principle Observation

- Any subpath of a shortest path must also be a shortest path.

Maintain an Estimate of shortest path for each vertex $d[v]$

- Initially, $d[s] = 0$ and $d[v] = \infty$
- $d[v] \geq \delta(s, v)$: As the algorithm goes on, it updates $d[v]$ until all $d[v]$ converge to $\delta(s, v)$ (This update process is called **relaxation**.)

if ($d[u] + w[u, v] < d[v]$)

$d[v] = d[u] + w[u, v];$

$\pi[v] = u;$

Dijkstra's algorithm

- Maintain a subset of vertices $S \subseteq V$, for which we claim we “know” the shortest distance, $d[u] = \delta(s, u)$.
- Initially, $S = \{s\}$ and one by one we selected vertices from $V - S$ to add S at each stage.
- We select the vertex whose $d[u]$ is minimum. We implement this on a *priority* queue where every operation (Insert, Delete_min, Decrease_key) can be done in $O(\log n)$ time.
- At each stage
 - select a vertex u , which has the smallest d_u among all the unknown vertices.
 - declare that the shortest path from s to u is known
 - update d_v : $d_v = d_u + w_{u,v}$ if this value for d_v is an improvement.
(decide if it is a good idea to use u on the path to v .)

Correctness

Lemma When a vertex u is added to S , $d[u] = \delta(s, u)$.

Proof: We assume all edge weights are STRICTLY positive. Suppose the algorithm FIRST attempts to add a vertex u to S for which $d[u] \neq \delta(s, u)$, so $d[u] > \delta(s, u)$. Consider the situation JUST PRIOR to the insertion of u . Consider the true shortest path from s to u . Since $s \in S$ and $u \in V - S$, at some point this path takes a jump out of S . Let (x, y) be the edge taken by the path where $x \in S$ and $y \in V - S$. We argue $y \neq u$. (Why? Since $d[x] = \delta(s, x)$ and we applied relaxation when we add x , we would have set $d[u] = d[x] + w(x, u) = \delta(s, u)$, but we assumed this is not the case.) Now since y appears midway on the path from s to u and all subsequent edges are positive, we have $\delta(s, y) < \delta(s, u)$, and thus, $d[y] = \delta(s, y) < \delta(s, u) < d[u]$. Thus, y would have been added BEFORE u , in contradiction to our assumption.

The Bellman-Ford algorithm

◆ The Bellman-Ford algorithm

- it solves the single source shortest-paths problem in the general case in which edge weights may be negative.

The Bellman-Ford algorithm

BELLMAN-FORD(G, w, s)

1 INITIALIZE-SINGLE-SOURCE(G, s)

2 For $i \leftarrow 1$ to $|V[G]|-1$

3 do for each edge(u, v) $\in E[G]$

4 do RELAX(u, v, w)

5 for each edge(u, v) $\in E[G]$

6 do if $d[u] + w(u, v) < d[v]$

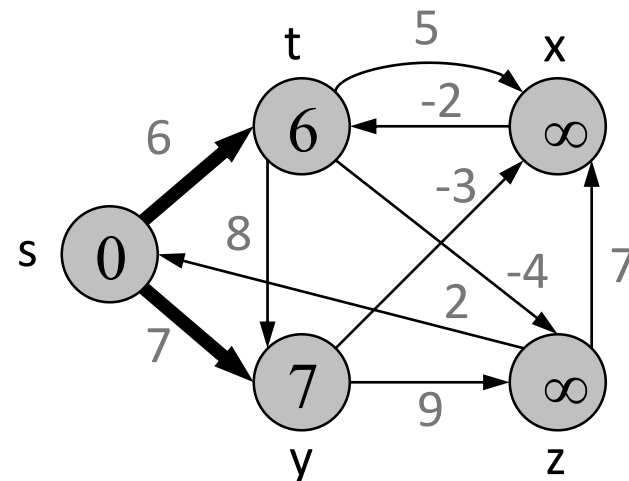
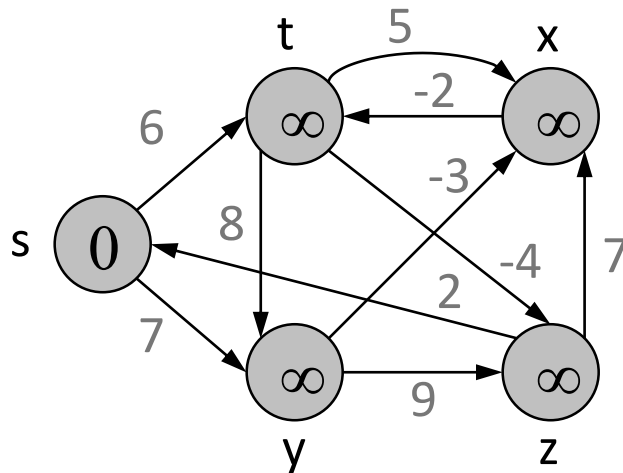
7 then return FALSE

8 return TRUE

The Bellman-Ford algorithm

◆ Relaxation order

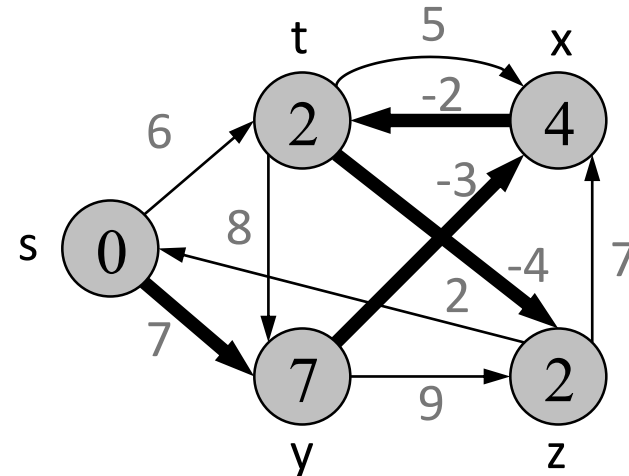
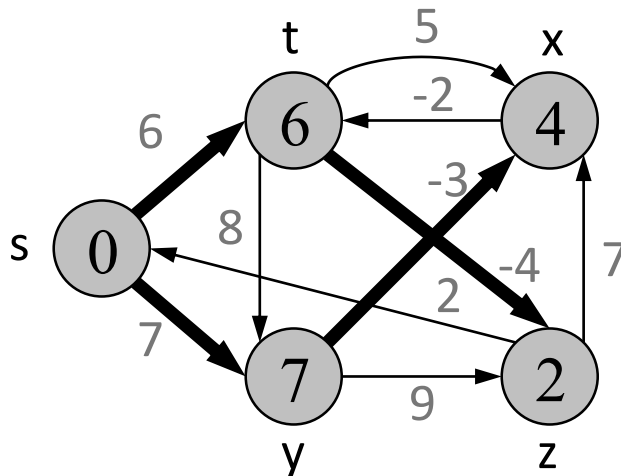
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The Bellman-Ford algorithm

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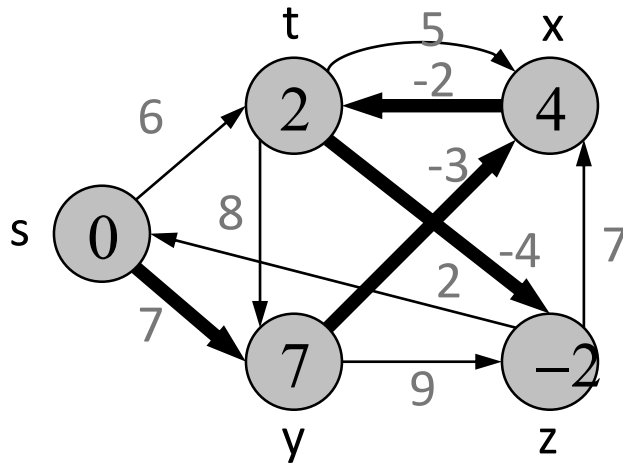
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The Bellman-Ford algorithm

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- Running time : $O(VE)$

The Bellman-Ford algorithm

Assume B-F returns True but there is a negative weight cycle
 $\langle v_0, v_1, \dots, v_k \rangle$.

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{i=1}^k d[v_i] &\leq \sum_{i=1}^k (d[v_{i-1}] + w(v_{i-1}, v_i)) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^k d[v_{i-1}] + \sum_{i=1}^k w(v_{i-1}, v_i)\end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^k d[v_i] = \sum_{i=1}^k d[v_{i-1}]$$

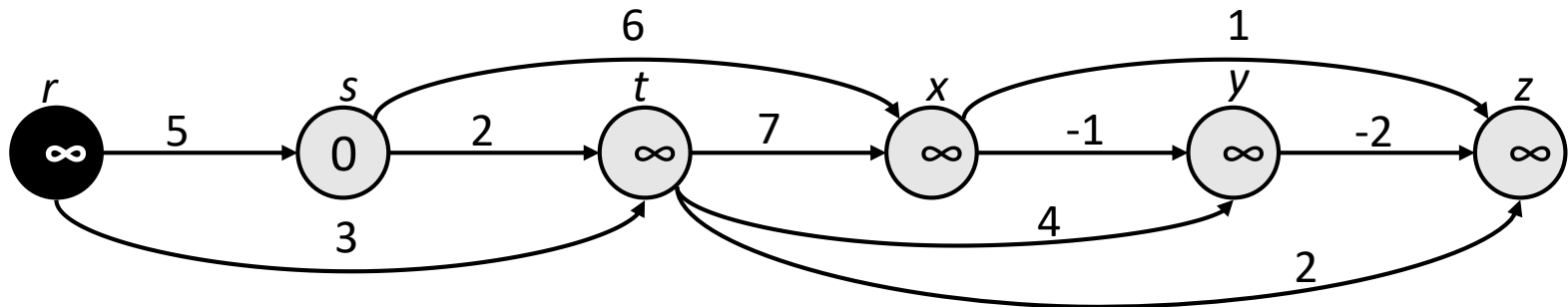
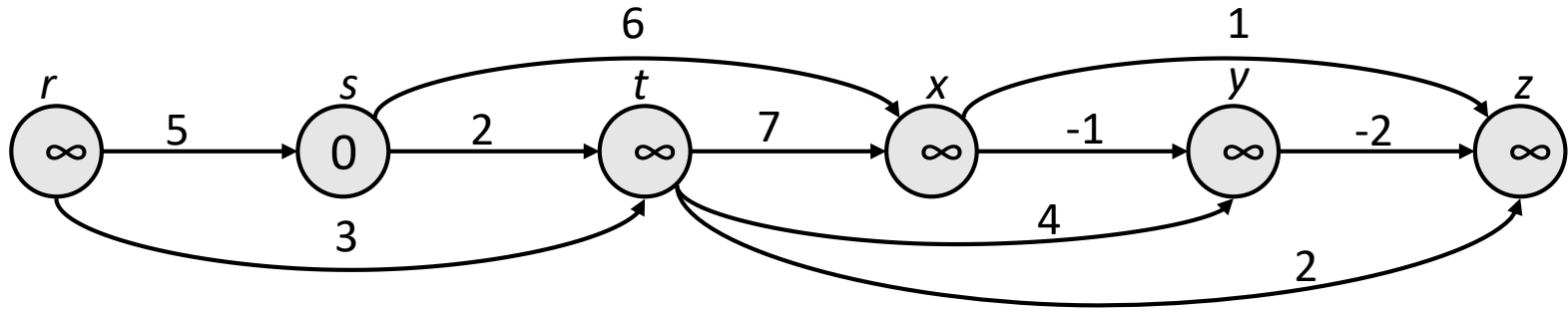
$$0 \leq \sum_{i=1}^k w(v_{i-1}, v_i)$$

Single-source shortest paths in directed acyclic graphs

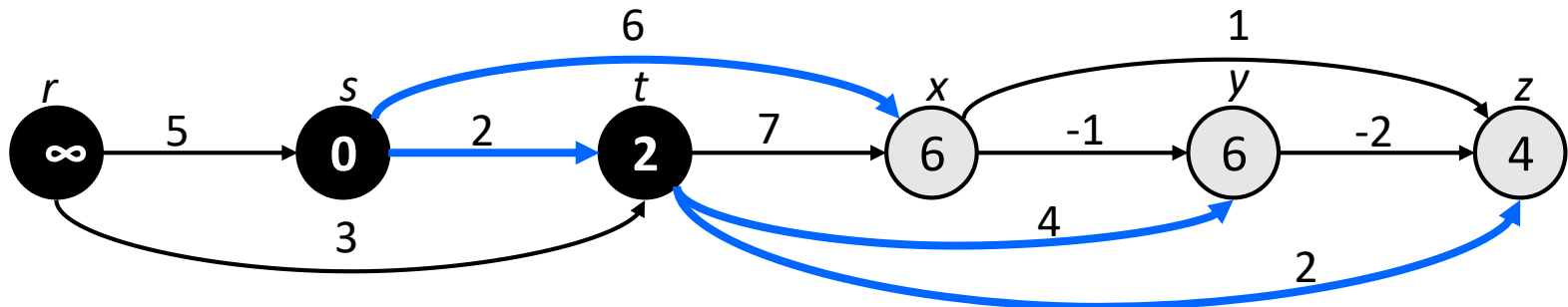
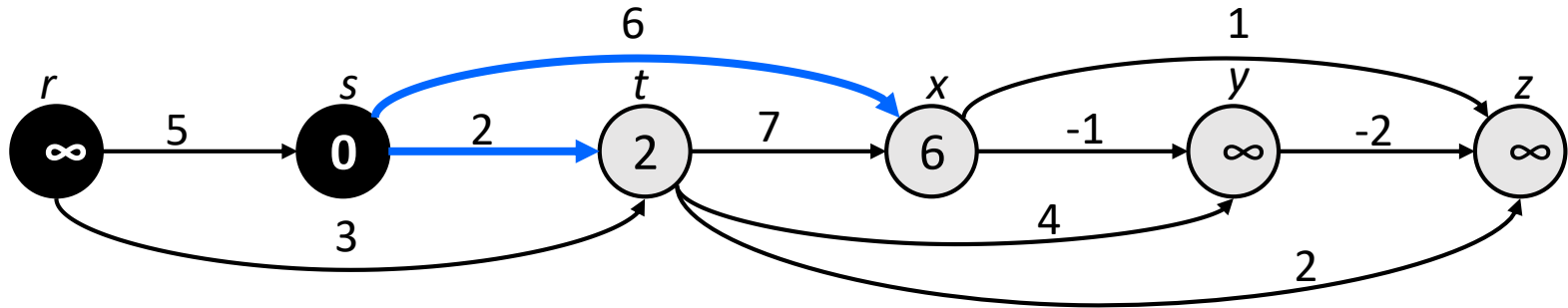
DAG-SHORTEST-PATHS(G, w, s)

- 1 topologically sort the vertices of G**
- 2 INITIALIZE-SINGLE-SOURCE(G, s)**
- 3 for each vertex u , taken in topologically sorted order**
- 4 do for each vertex $v \in Adj[u]$**
- 5 do RELAX(u, v, w)**

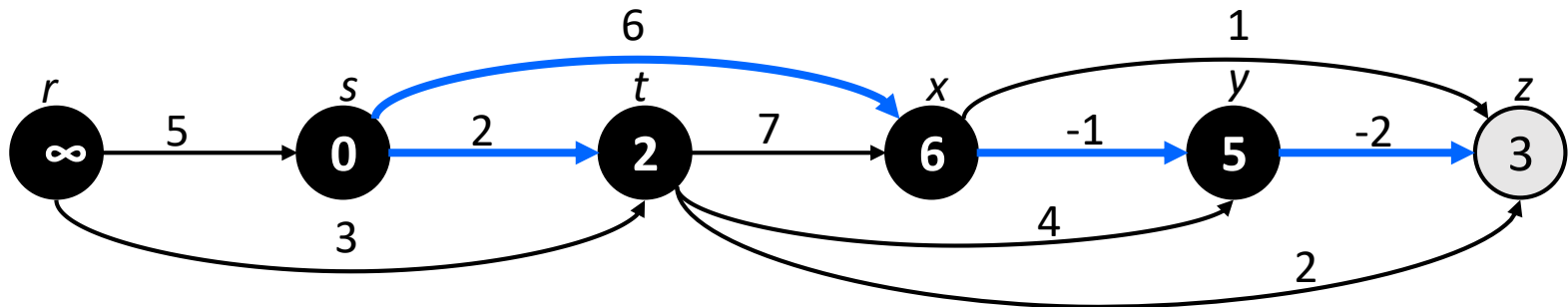
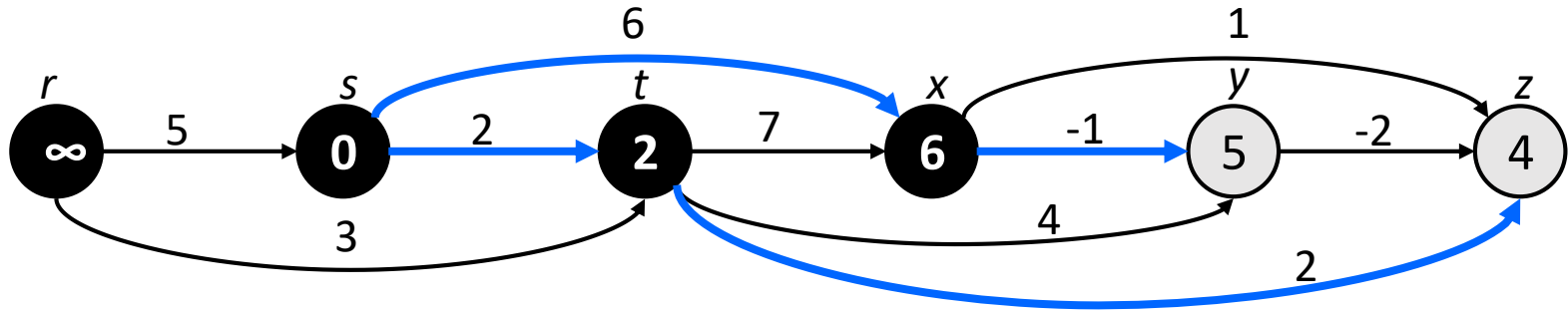
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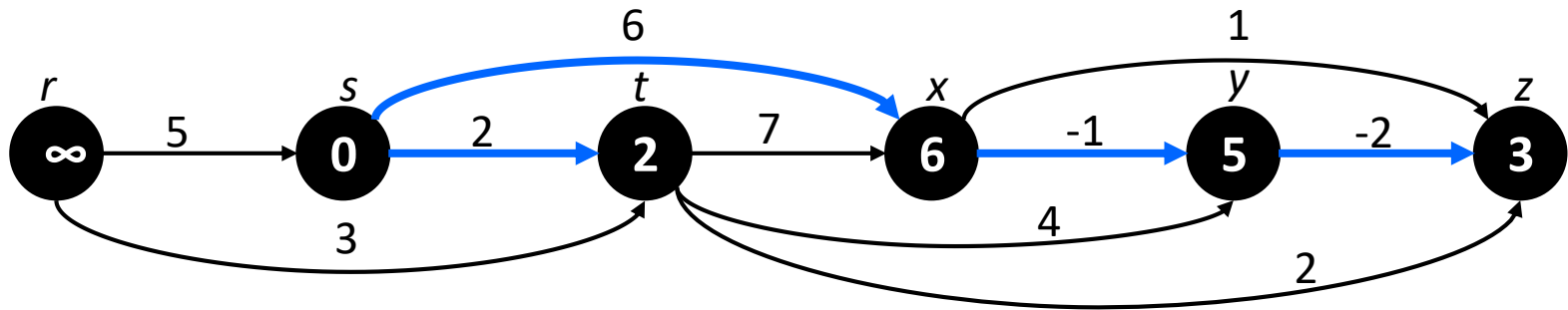
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- Running time: $\Theta(V + E)$ time

PERT chart

◆ PERT

- Program evaluation and review technique (PERT)
- Edges represent jobs to be performed.
- Edge weights represent the times required to perform particular jobs.

PERT chart

◆ PERT

- If edge (u,v) enters vertex v and edge (v,x) leaves v , then job (u,v) must be performed prior to job (v,x) .
- A path through this dag represents a sequence of jobs that must be performed in a particular order.
- A *critical path* is a longest path through the dag.

PERT chart

◆ Finding a critical path in a dag

- Negate the edge weights and run DAG-SHORTEST-PATHS or
- Run DAG-SHORTEST PATHS, with the modification that we replace “ ∞ ” by “ $-\infty$ ” and “ $>$ ” by “ $<$ ”.

