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MAX FLOW +
APPLICATIONS.

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Max flow

Min Cut

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What are the 2 restrictions on a flow f :
① capacity $f(e) \leq c(e)$
② $\text{INFLOW}(v) = \text{OUTFLOW}(v)$ for all $v \in V - \{s, t\}$

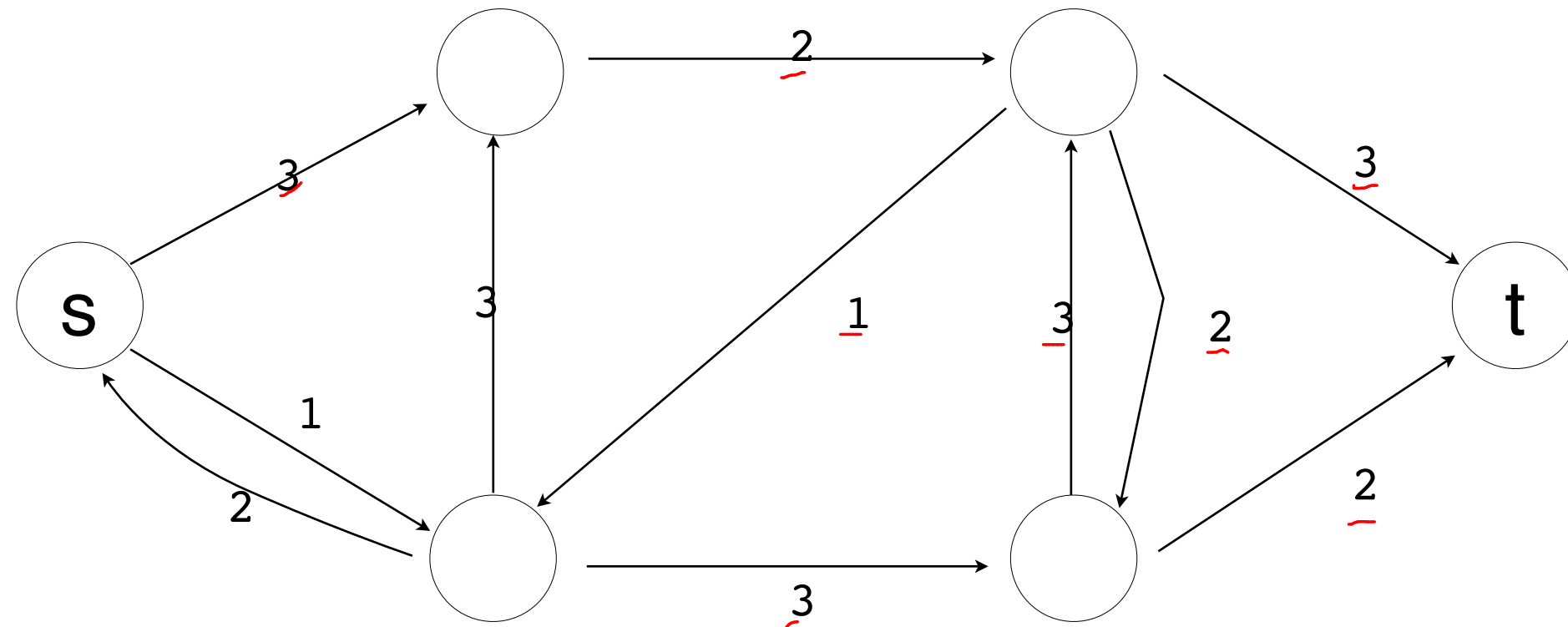
What is the value of a flow $|f|$:

$$|f| = \sum_{v \in V} f(s, v) - \sum_{v \in V} f(v, s)$$

How does the Ford-Fulkerson algorithm work?

finds augmenting paths until it cannot.

example $G = (V, E), c$



flow

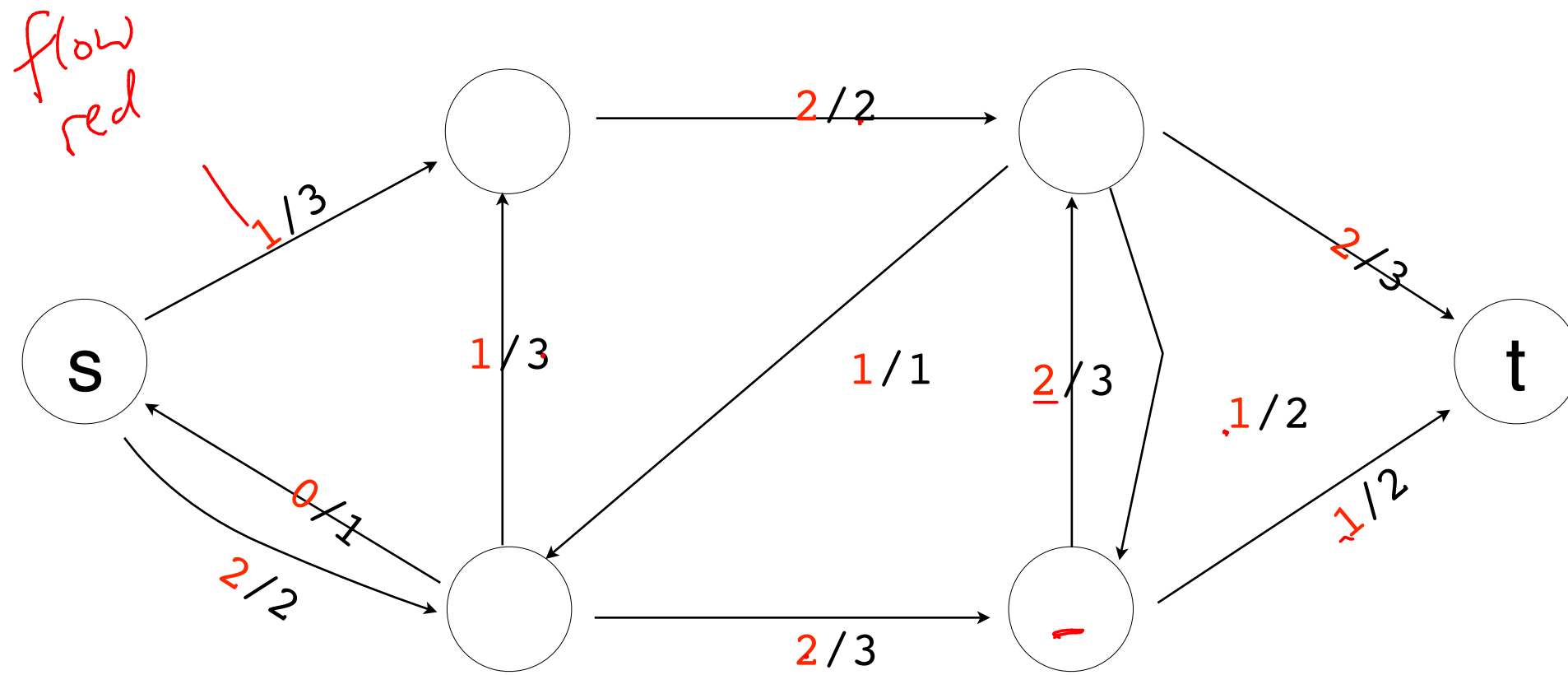
map from edges to numbers: $f(e) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$

capacity constraint:

flow constraint:

$$|f| =$$

example



Residual graphs

$$\underline{G_f = (V, E_f)}$$

given a flow f , define the residual graph $G_f = (V, E_f)$, C_f

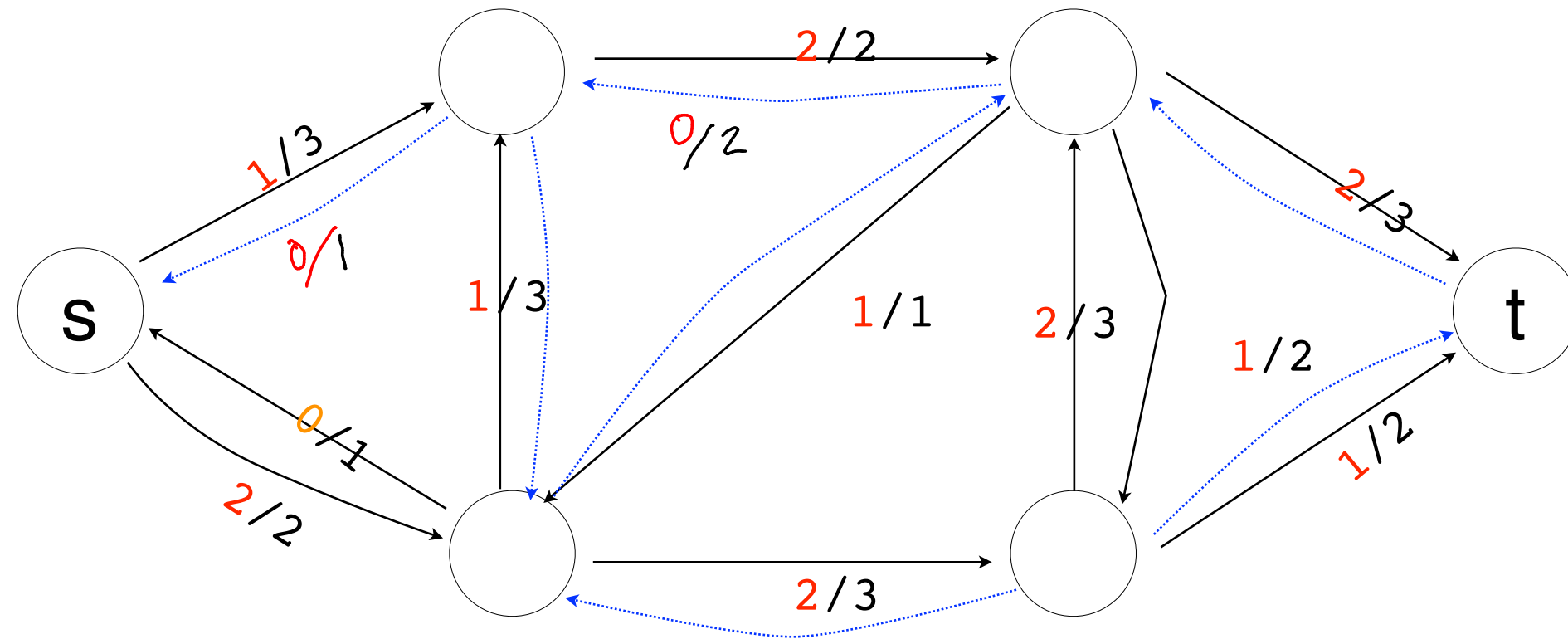
E_f : consists of all $e \in E$ such that

① if $f(e) > 0$, then add e to E_f and $C_f = c(e) - f(e)$

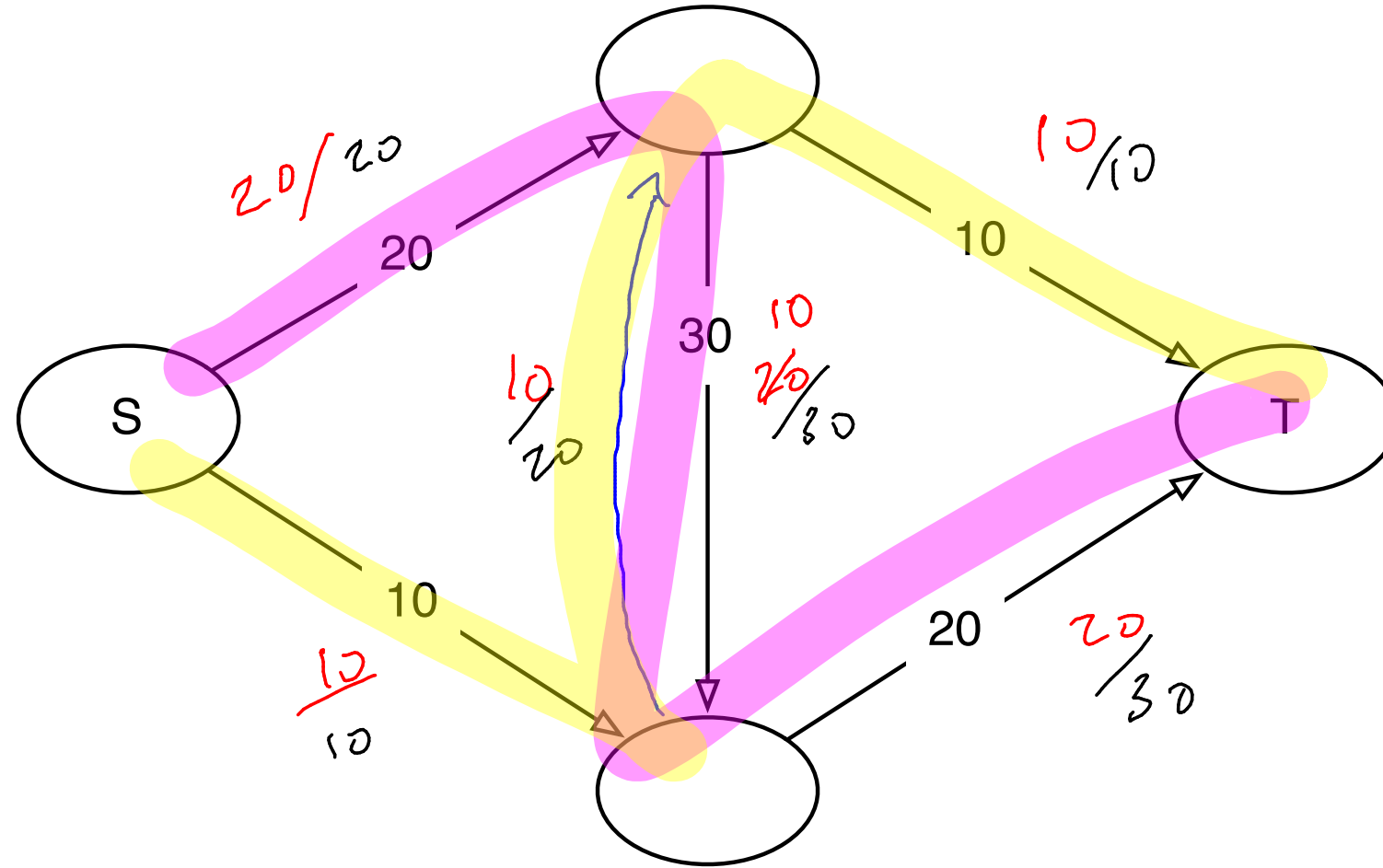
also, $e = (u, v)$ add the edge e'

$e' = (v, u)$ with $C_f(e') = f(e)$

example residual graph



why residual graphs ?

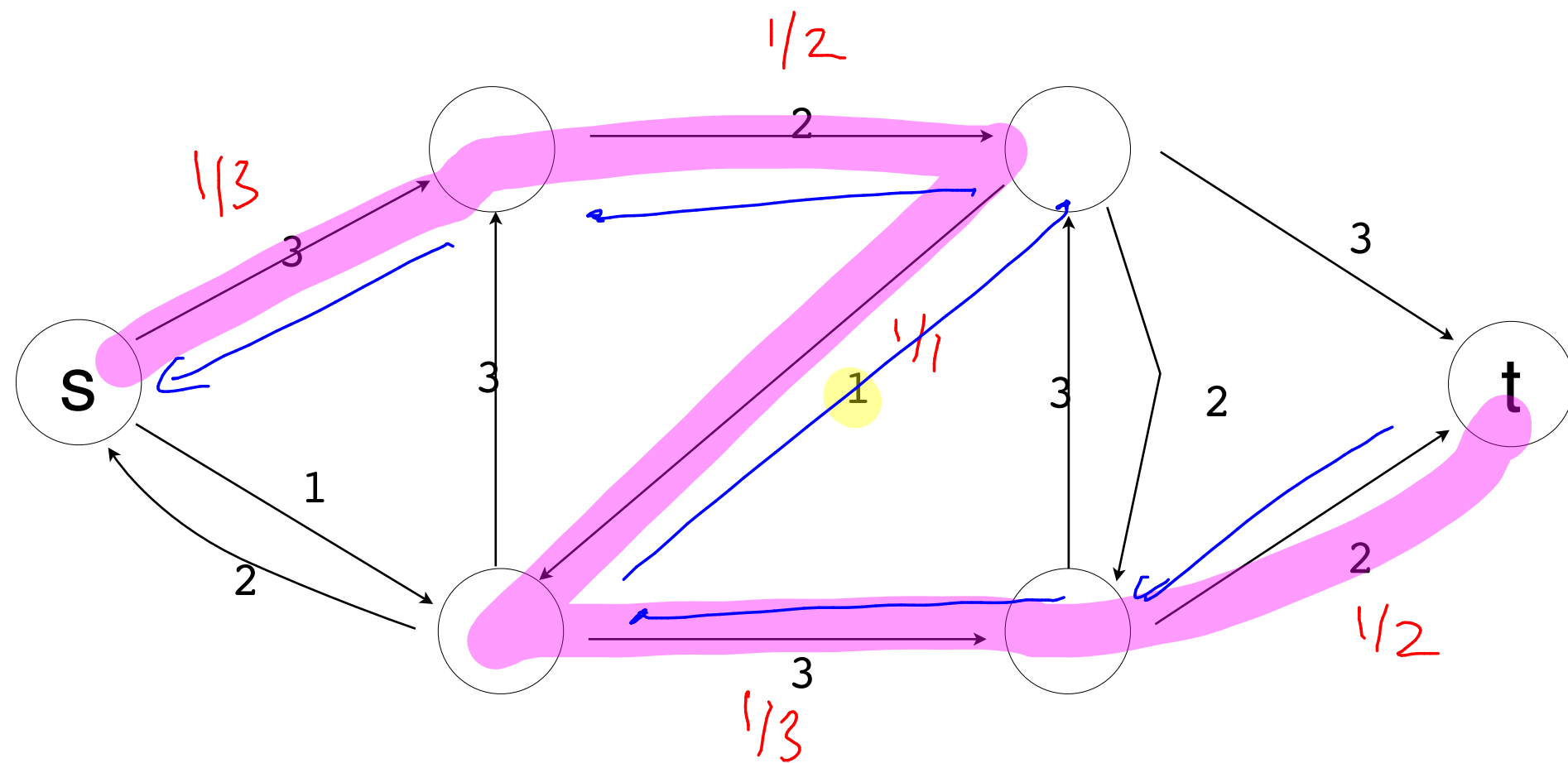


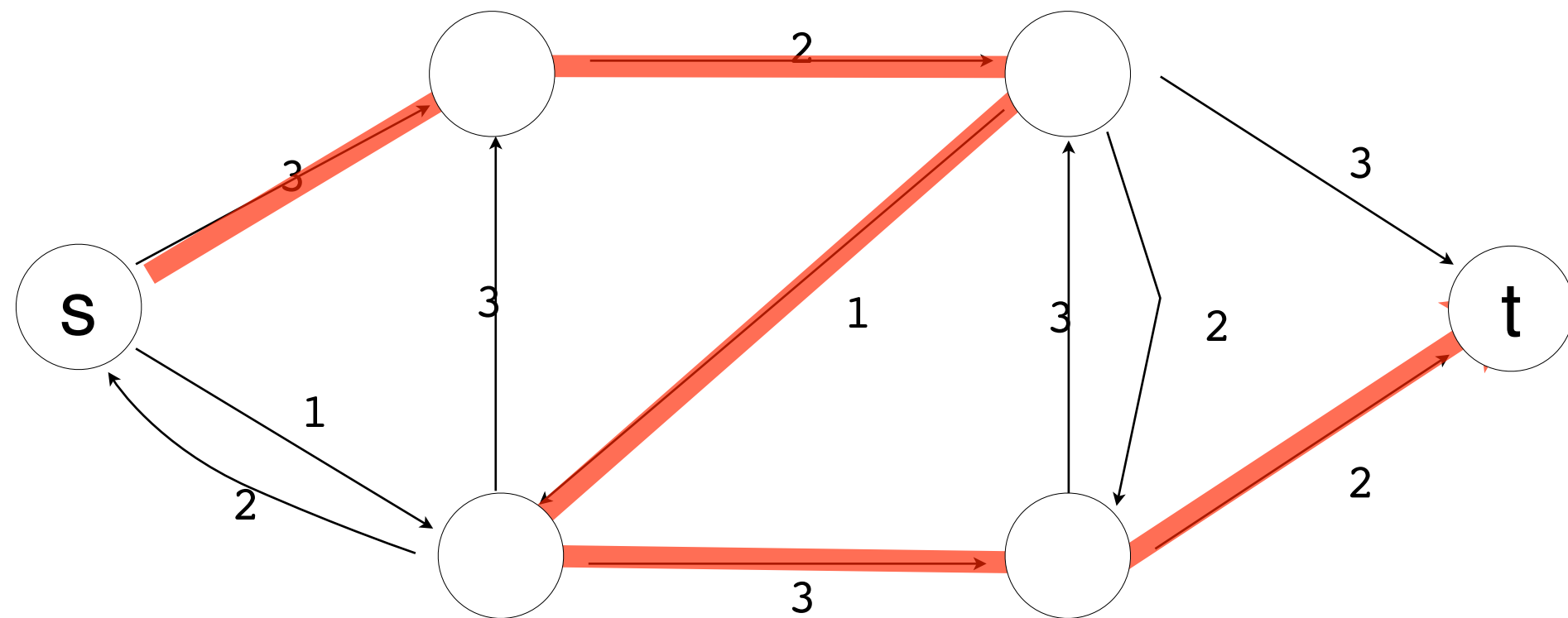
augmenting paths

Def: A ^{simple} path in G_f from s to t .

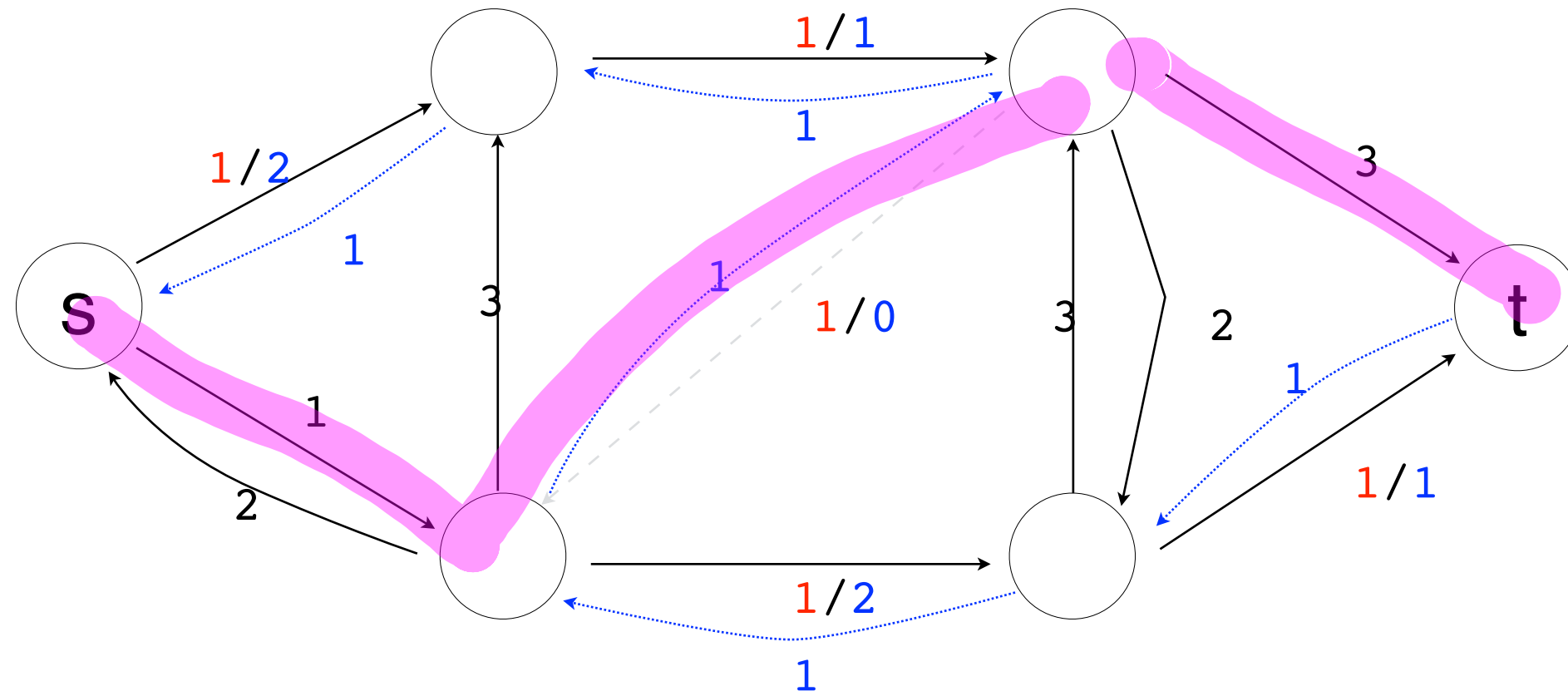
Ford-Fulkerson

initialize $\underline{f}(u,v) \leftarrow 0 \ \forall u,v$
while exists an augmenting path p in \underline{G}_f
augment \underline{f} with $\underline{c}_f(p) = \min_{(u,v) \in p} c_f(u,v)$

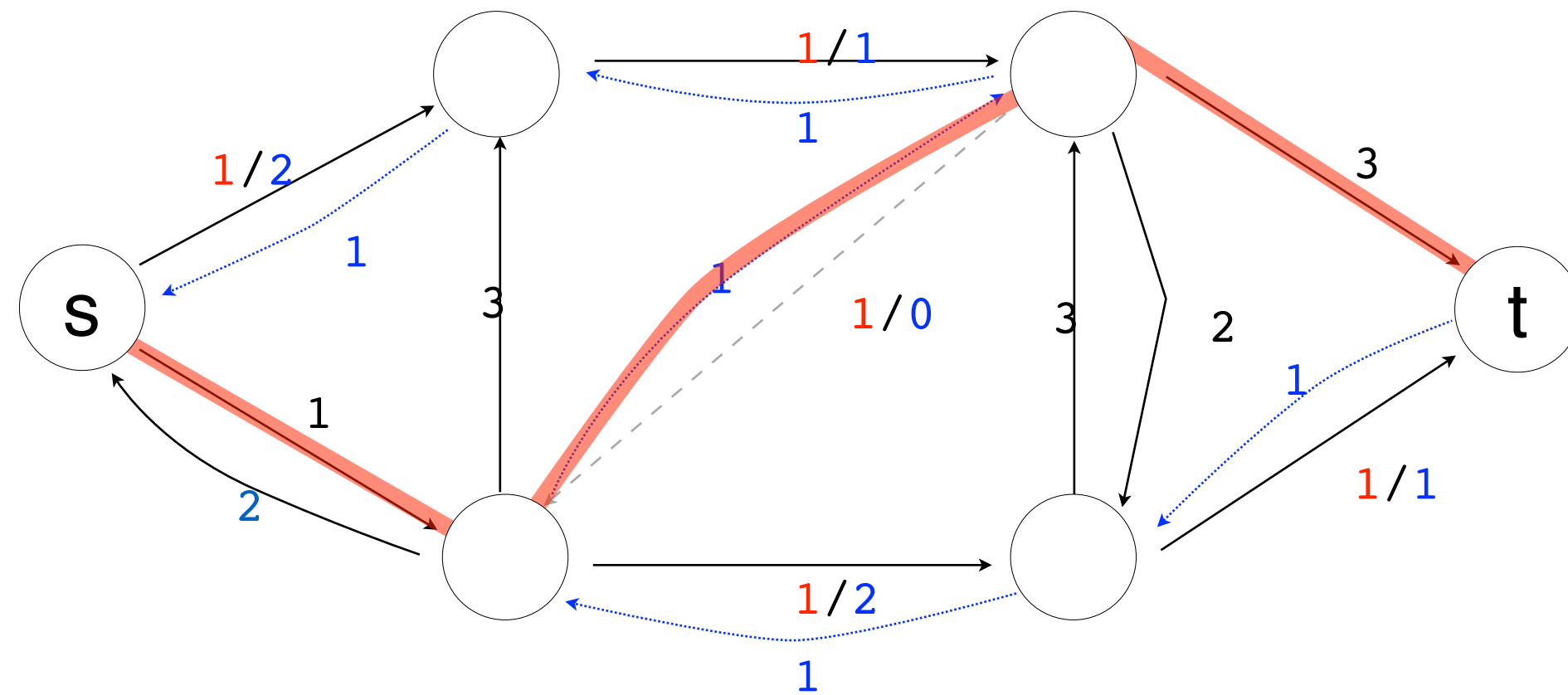




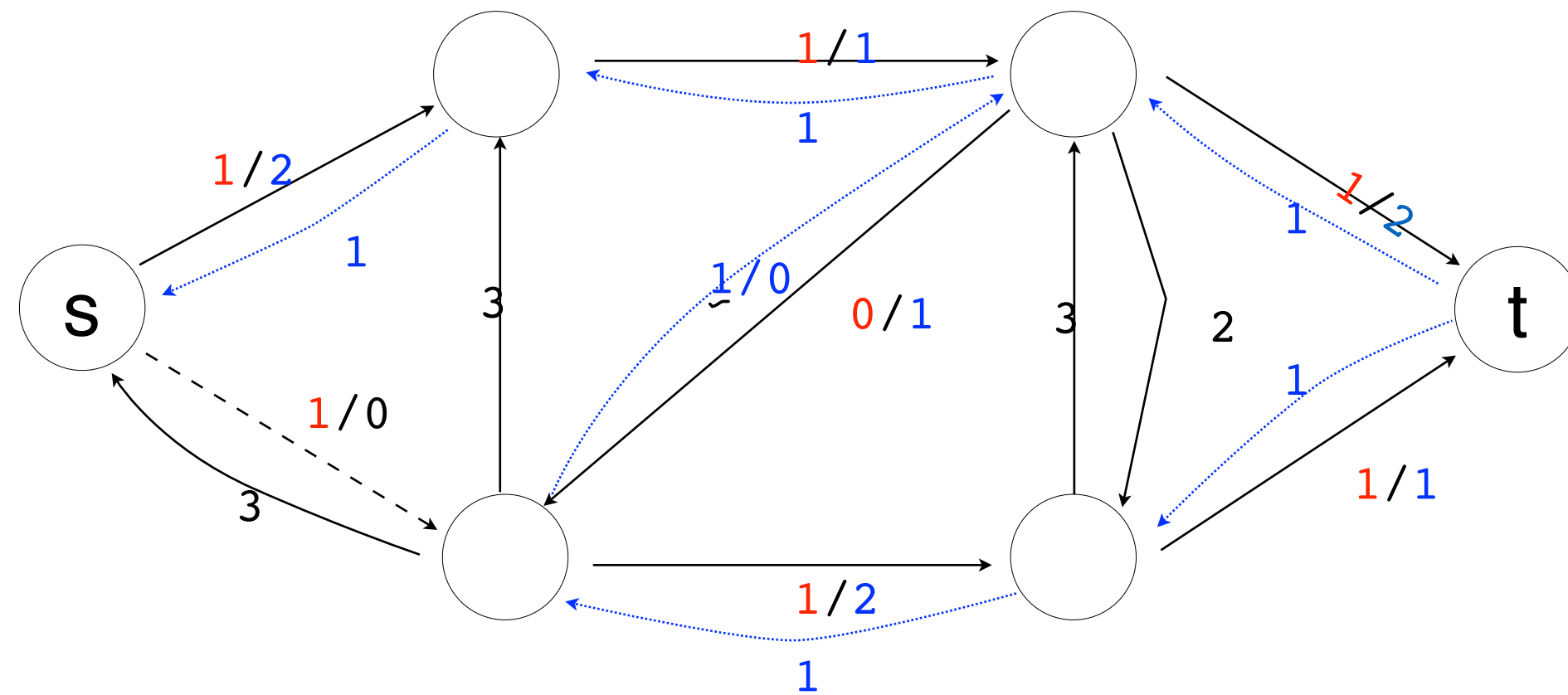
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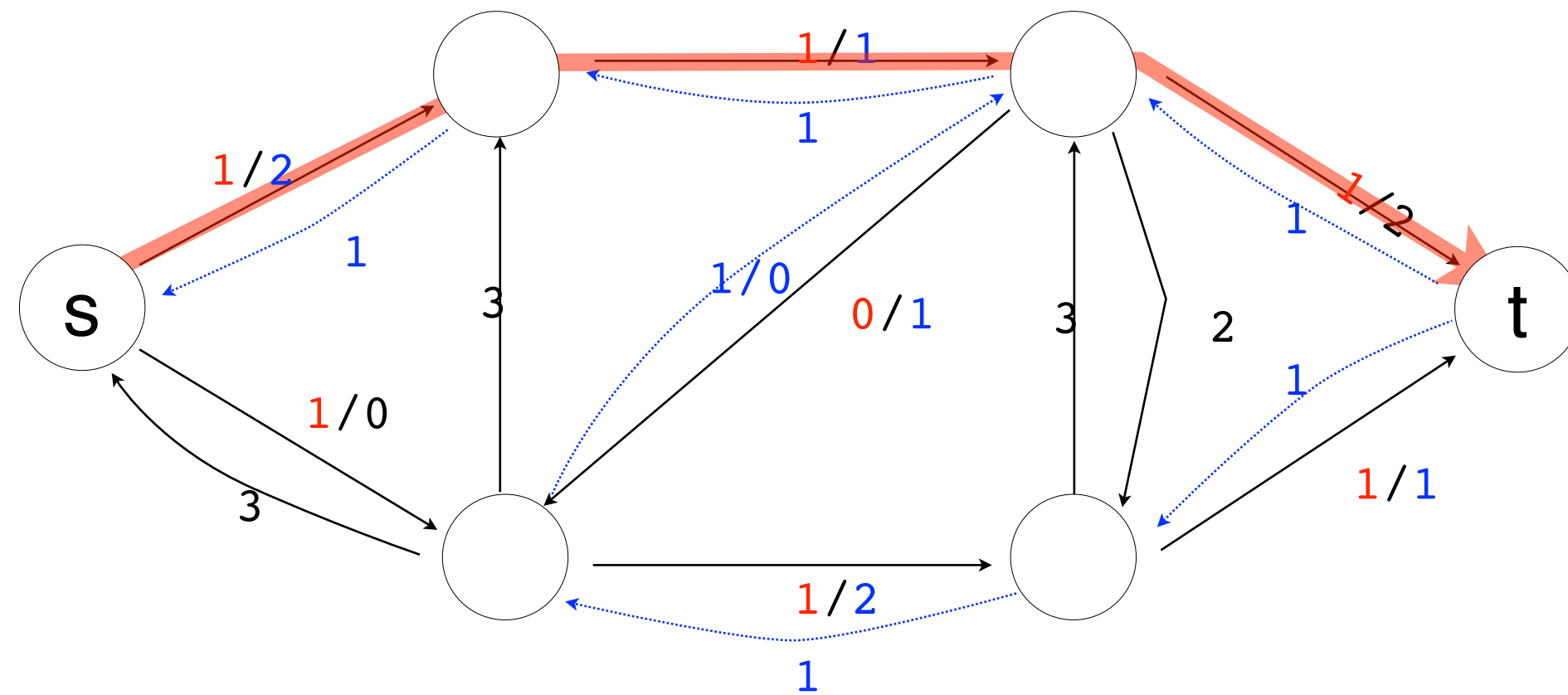
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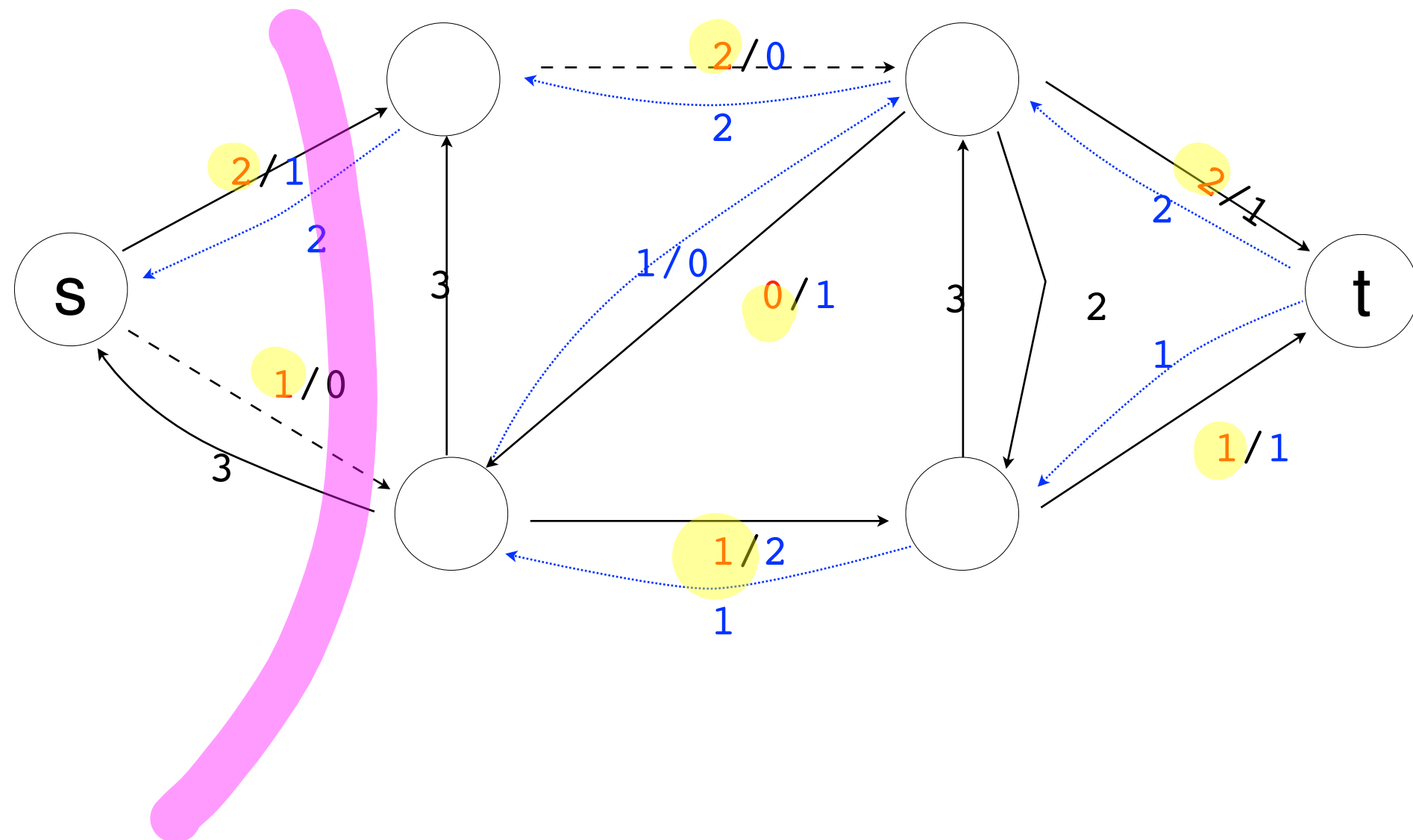


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ford-fulkerson

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$\# \text{loops} < |f|$

time to find an augmenting path: $\Theta(V + E)$ BFS.

number of iterations of while loop:

$\# \text{loops} < |f|$ because each iteration adds at least 1 unit to the flow.

Running time $O(E |f|)$

Cuts

Def of a cut: partition (S, T) such that $s \in S$ and $t \in T$ and
 $V = S \cup T$.

cost of a cut:

$$||S, T|| = \sum_{u \in S} \sum_{v \in T} c(u, v)$$

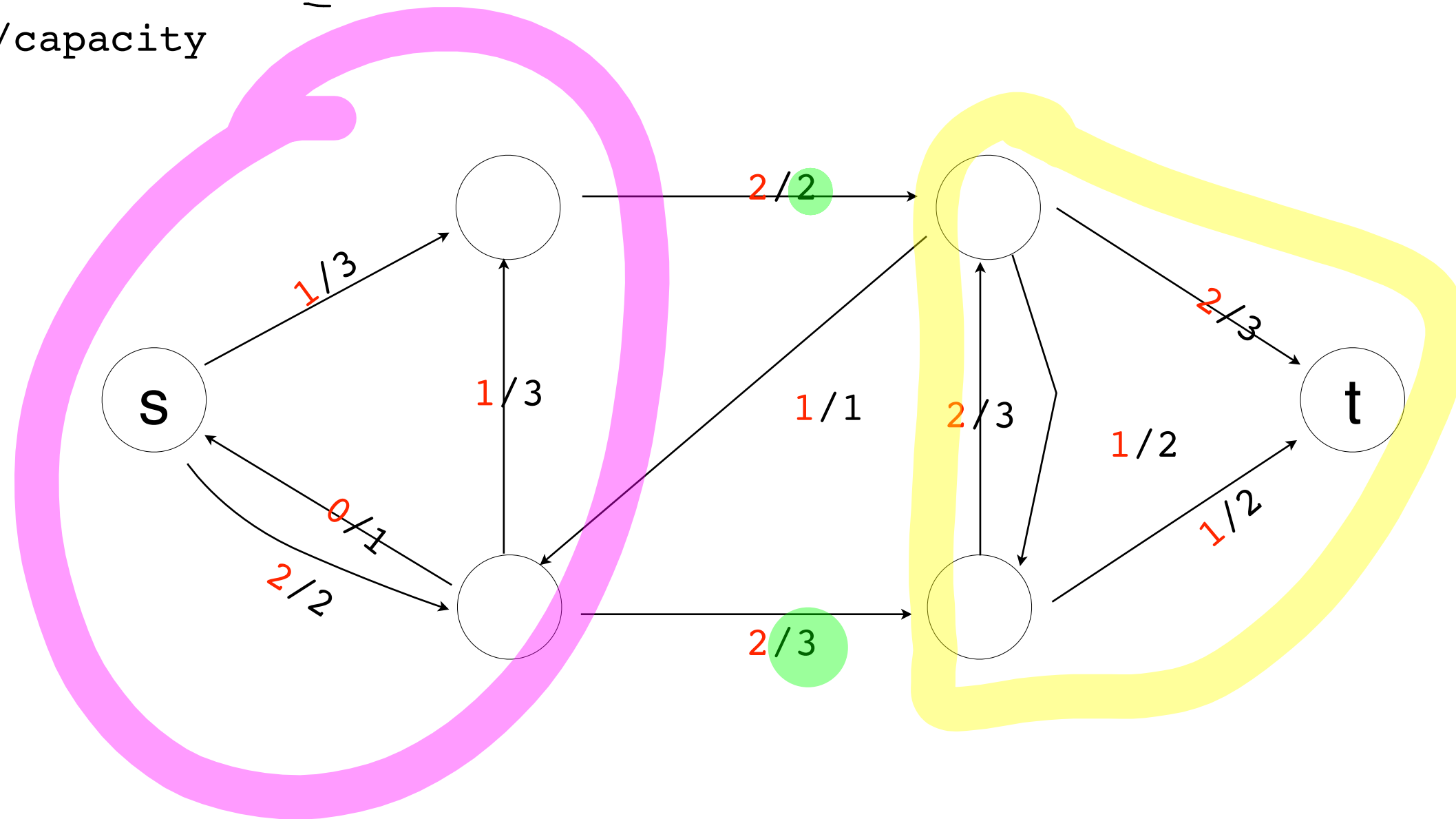
lemma: [MinCut] for any $f, (S, T)$

$$|f| \leq ||S, T||$$

for any $f, (S, T)$ it holds that $|f| \leq ||S, T||$

flow/capacity

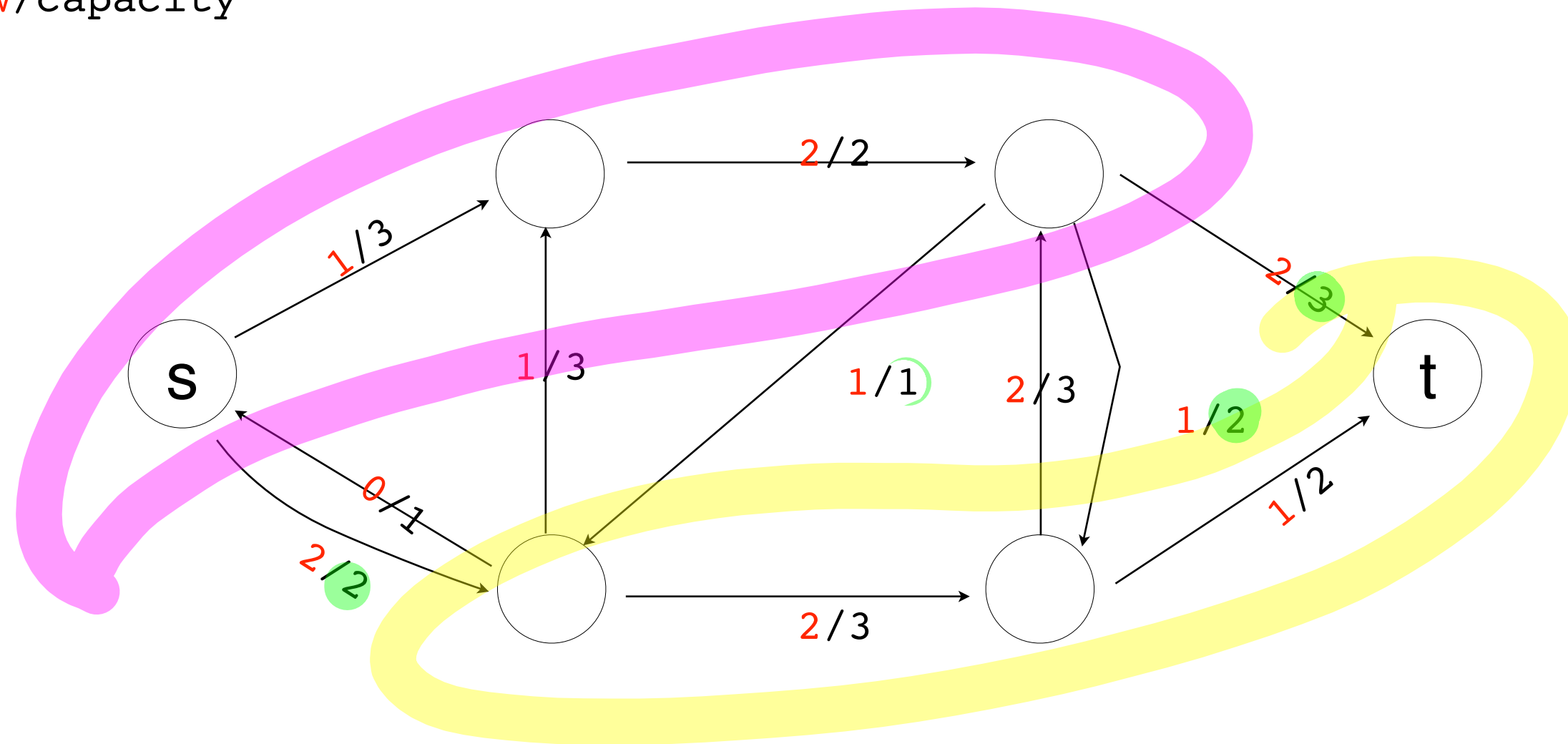
$$|f| \leq 5$$



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flow/capacity

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Main point

for any $f, (S, T)$ it holds that $|f| \leq ||S, T||$

Proof: Consider some flow f :

for s

$$|f| = \underbrace{\sum_{v \in V} f(s, v) - \sum_{w \in V} f(w, s)}$$

$$= \sum_{u \in S} \left[\underbrace{\sum_{v \in V} f(u, v)}_{\downarrow} - \underbrace{\sum_{w \in V} f(w, u)}_{\rightarrow} \right]$$

$$= \sum_{u \in S} \left[\sum_{v \in T} f(u, v) + \underbrace{\sum_{v \in S} f(u, v) - \sum_{w \in S} f(w, u) - \sum_{w \in T} f(w, u)}_{(1)} \right]$$

① for any $u \in S - \{s\}$ we know:

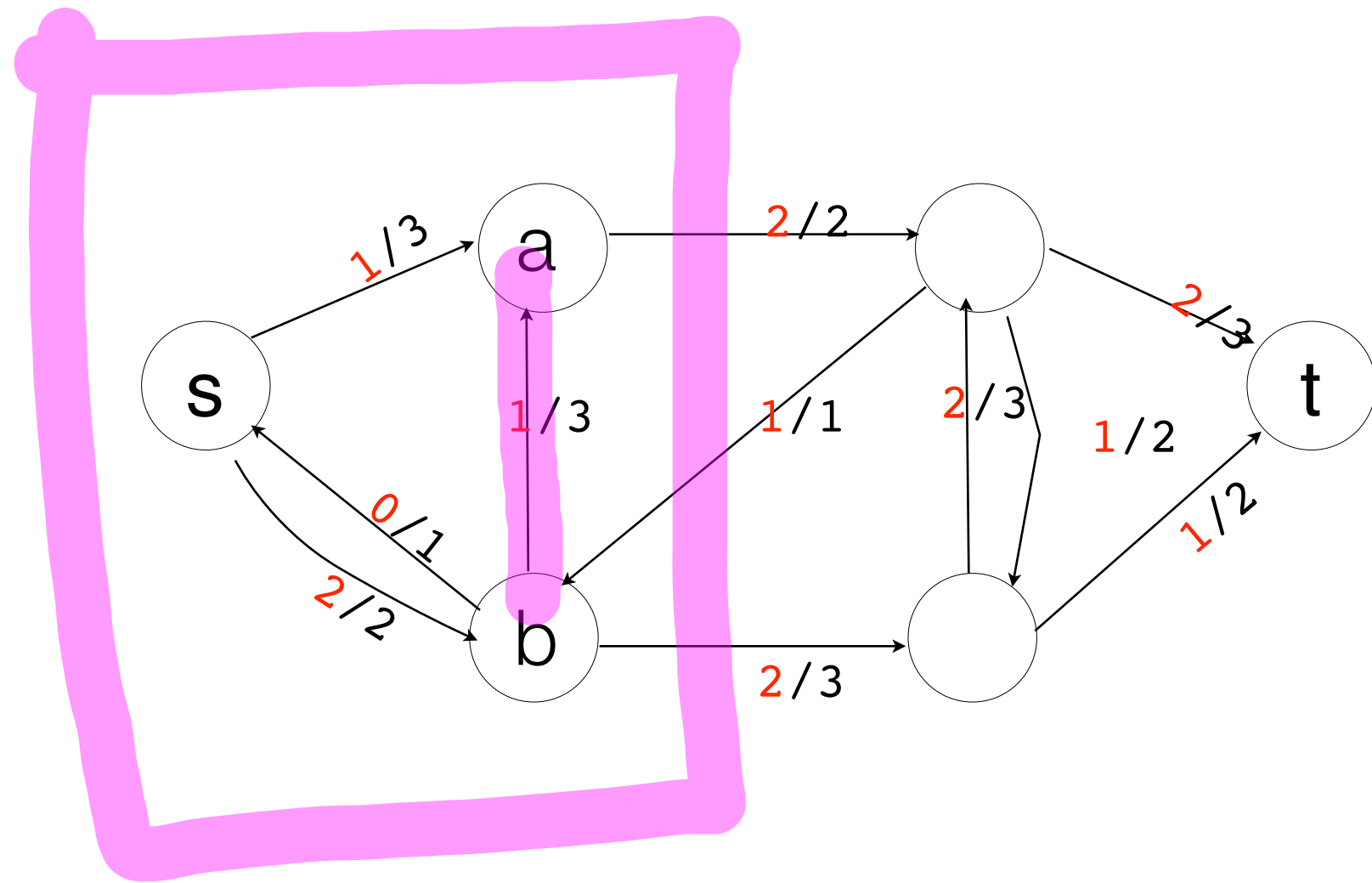
$$\sum_{v \in V} f(u, v) - \sum_{w \in V} f(w, u) = 0$$

by adding "0" in the form of $\left(\sum_{v \in V} f(u, v) - \sum_{w \in V} f(w, u) \right)$

A property to remember

For any $f, (S, T)$ it holds that $|f| \leq ||S, T||$

proof:



Edge (b,a) is in S. (2)

$f(b,a)$ is added & then subtracted

\Rightarrow contributes 0 to $|f|$

$$|f| = \sum_{\substack{u \in S \\ u=b \\ u=a}} \left[\sum_v f(u,v) + \sum_{\substack{v \in S \\ v=a}} f(b,a) - \sum_{w \in S} f(w,a) - \sum_w f(w,a) \right] - f(b,a)$$

for any $f, (S, T)$ it holds that $|f| \leq ||S, T||$

(finishing proof)

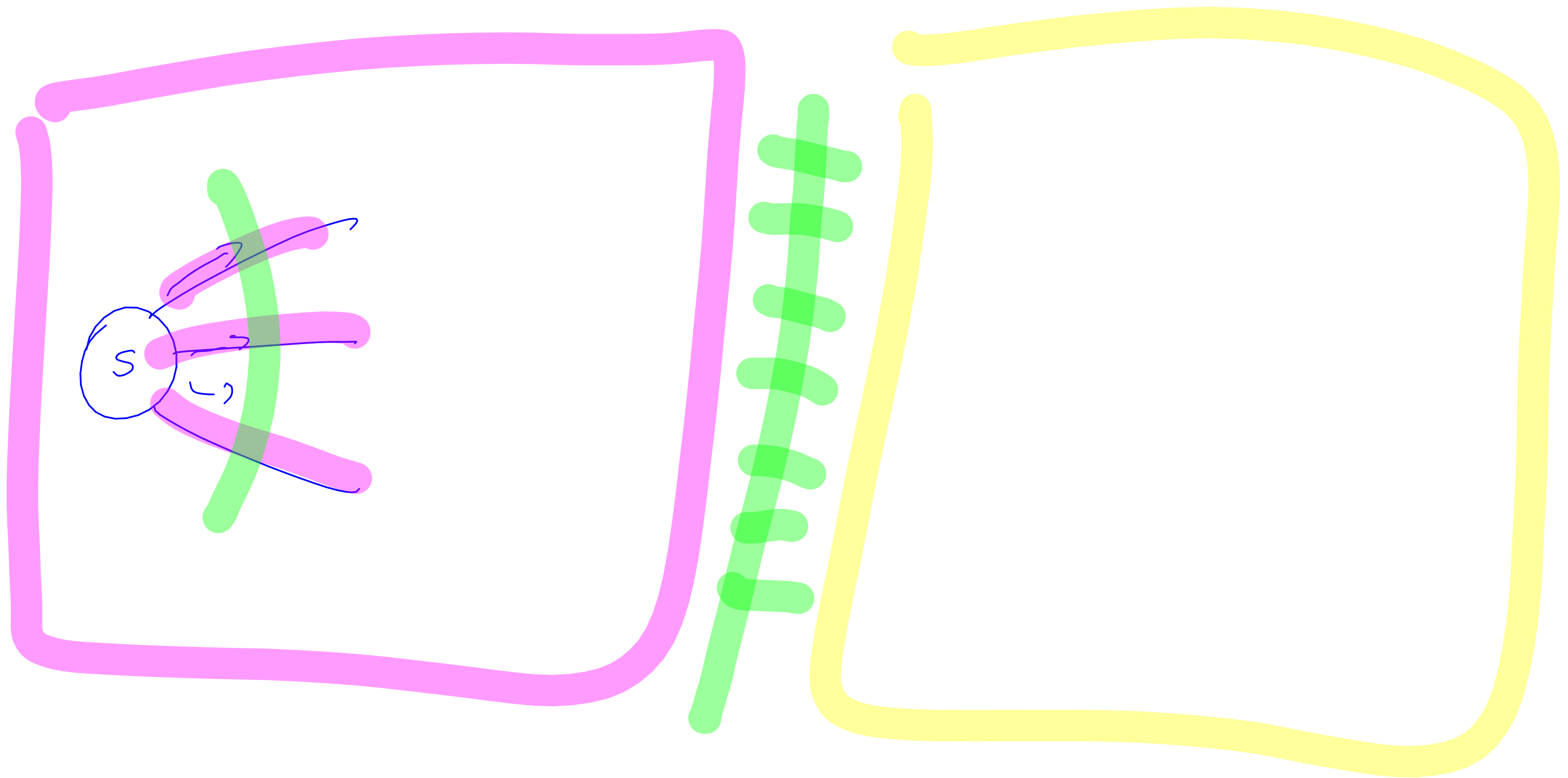
$$\underline{|f|} = \sum_{u \in S} \left[\sum_{v \in T} f(u, v) - \sum_{w \in T} f(w, u) \right]$$

follows by (1) and (2)

$$\leq \sum_{u \in S} \sum_{v \in T} f(u, v)$$

$$\leq \sum_{u \in S} \sum_{v \in T} c(u, v) = \underline{||S, T||}$$

for $u \in S$
for $v \in S$
sum $= f(u, v)$



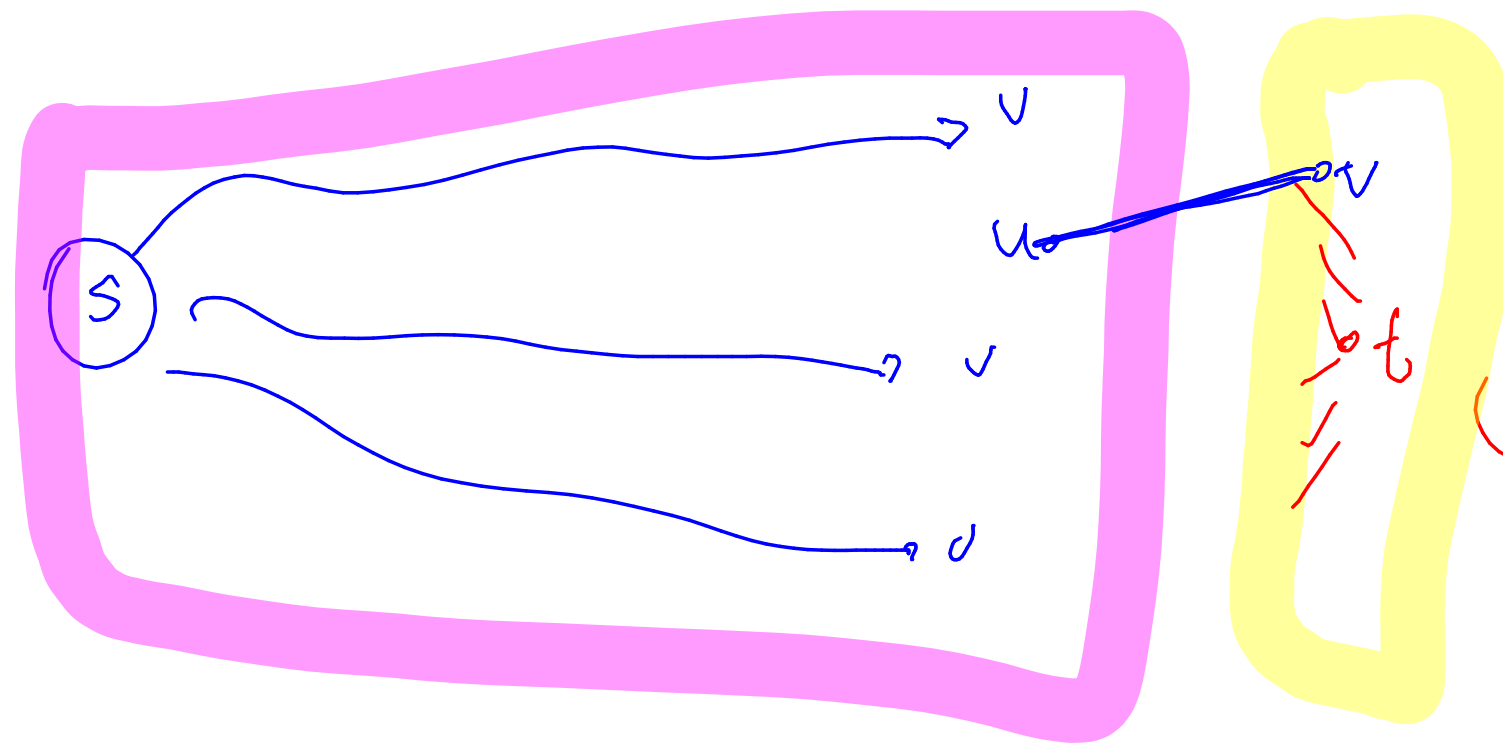
Thm: max flow = min cut

(duality) LP

$$\max_f |f| = \min_{S,T} ||S, T||$$

If f is a max flow, then G_f has no augmenting paths.

Define $S = \{v \mid \exists \text{ a path } p \text{ from } s \text{ to } v \text{ with } c_f(p) > 0\}$
in G_f



Define $T = V - S$.

① (S, T) is a cut.

$s \in S$ (Yes)

is $t \in S$?? (No) b/c of first line

there are no aug paths from s to t

Thm: max flow = min cut

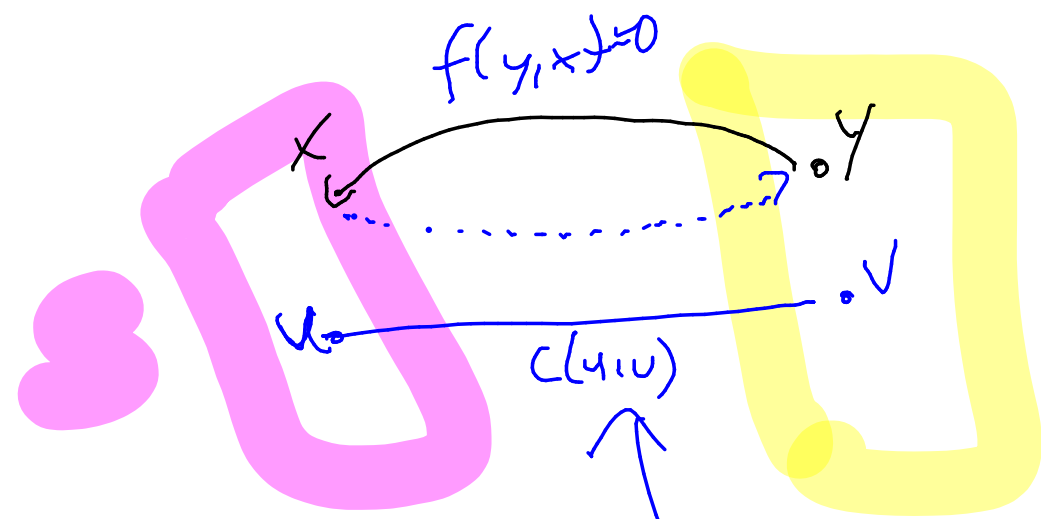
$$\max_f |f| = \min_{S,T} ||S, T||$$

① Consider (u,v) with $u \in S$ and $v \in T$.

$f(u,v) = c(u,v)$ why?? if $f(u,v) < c(u,v)$, then

$$c_f(u,v) = c(u,v) - f(u,v) > 0$$

which implies



must have zero residual capacity.

otherwise v would be in S .

② $f(y,x)=0$ for any $y \in T$ and $x \in S$.

why?? If < 0 or > 0 there would be a residual edge from $x \rightarrow y$ w/ pos capacity $\Rightarrow y \in S$.

Why FF works

$$G, f \Rightarrow (S, T)$$

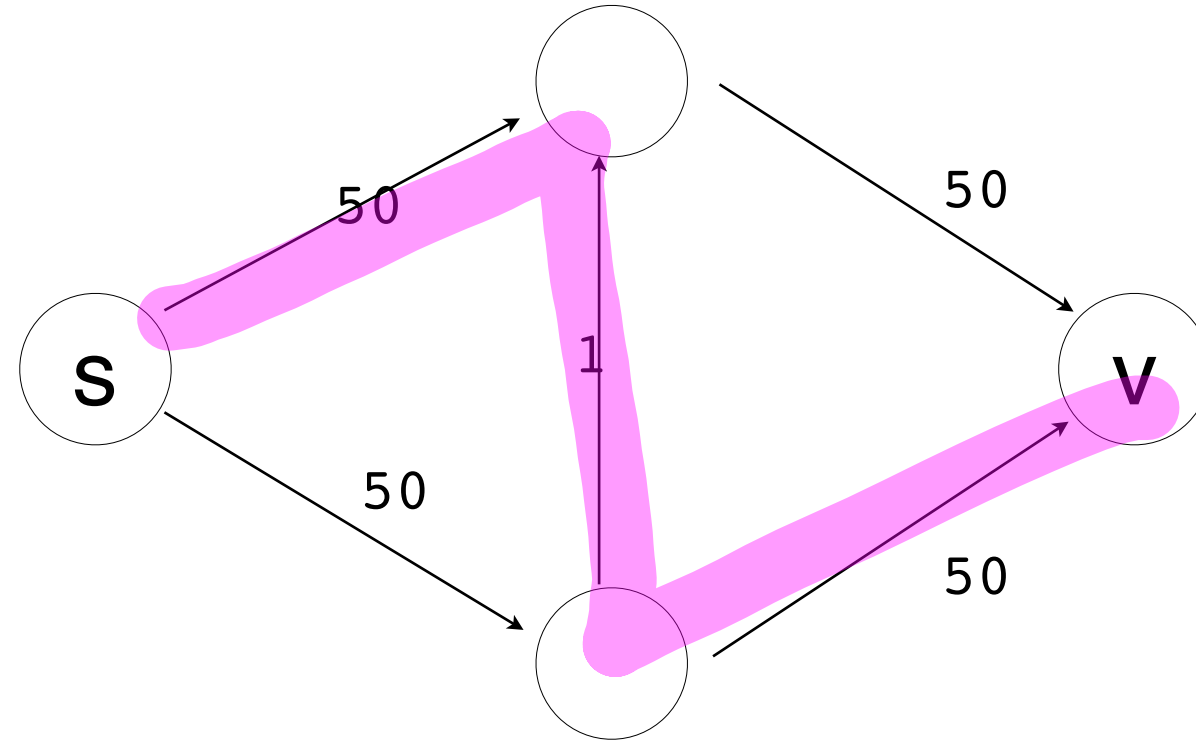
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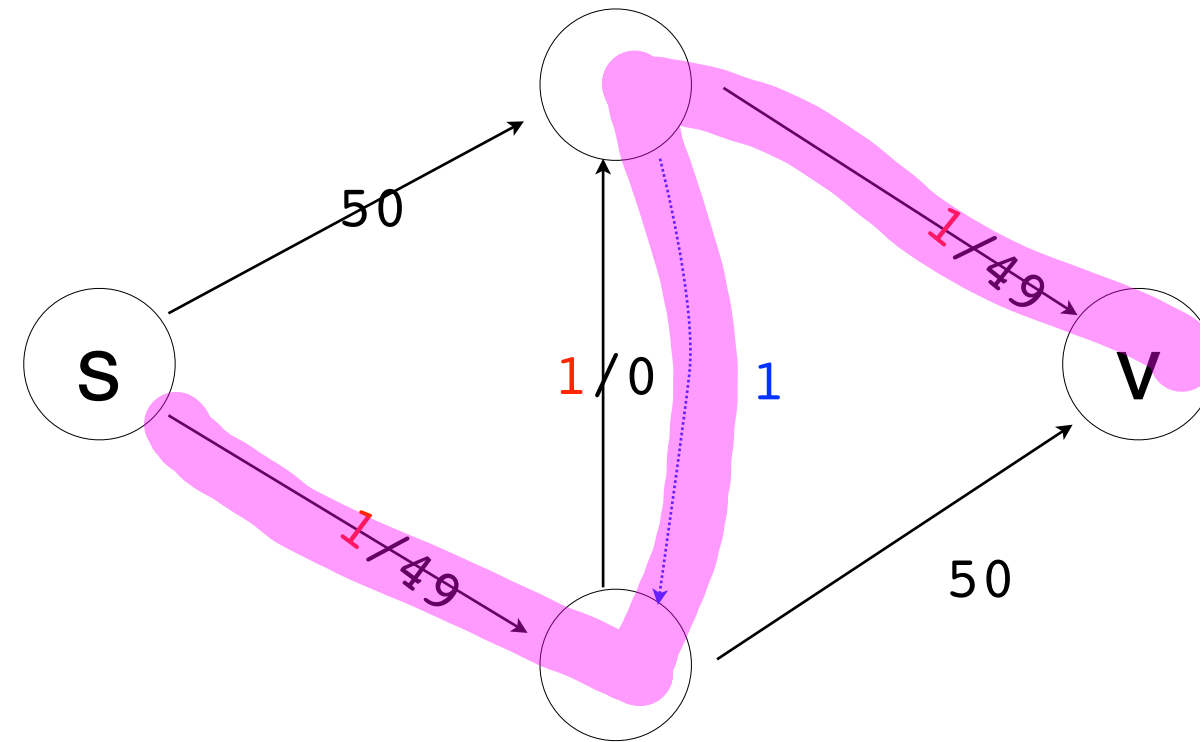
$$\underline{|f|} = \sum_{u \in S} \left[\underbrace{\sum_{v \in T} f(u, v)} - \sum_{w \in T} f(w, u) \right] \rightarrow \text{all 0.}$$

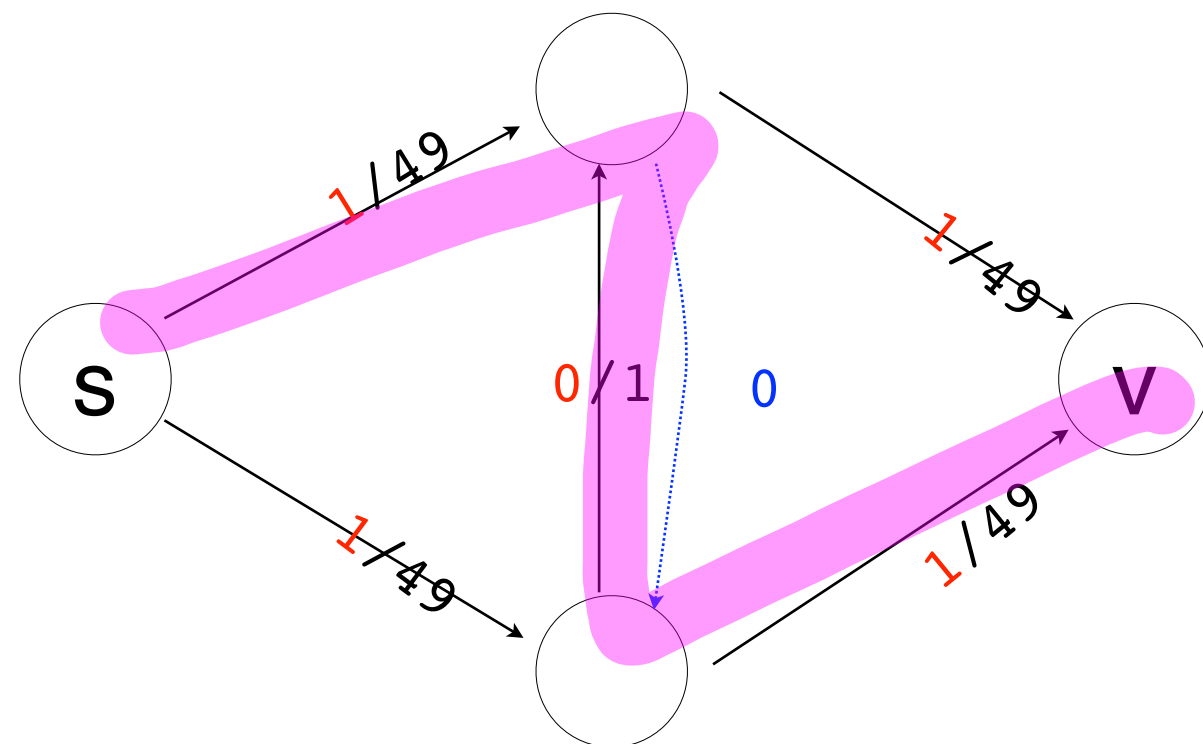
$$= \sum_{u \in S} \sum_{v \in T} c(u, v) - \sum_{u \in S} \sum_{w \in T} f(w, u)$$

$$= \sum_{u \in S} \sum_{v \in T} c(u, v) = ||S, T||$$

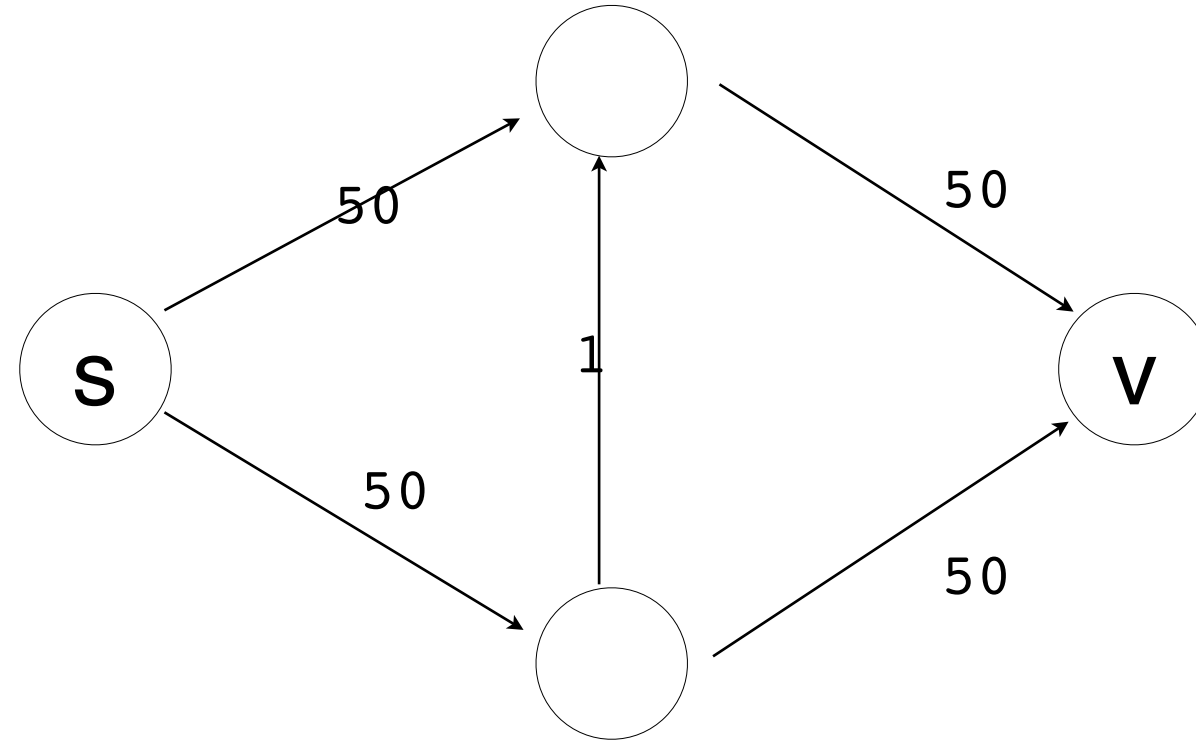
$$\Theta(|E| |F|)$$







root of the problem



Edmonds-Karp 2

choose path with fewest edges first.

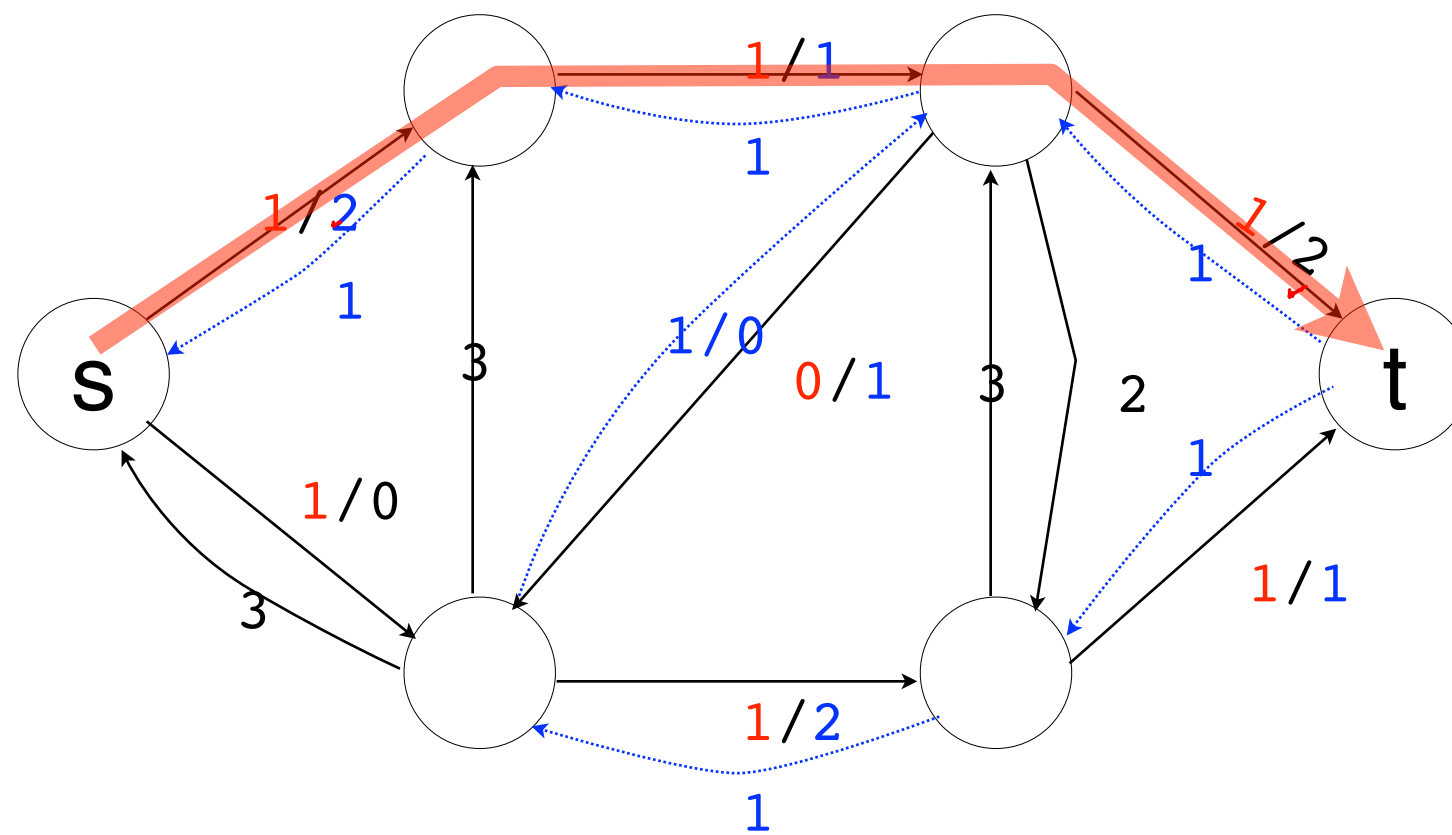
$\delta_f(s, v) :$

BFS

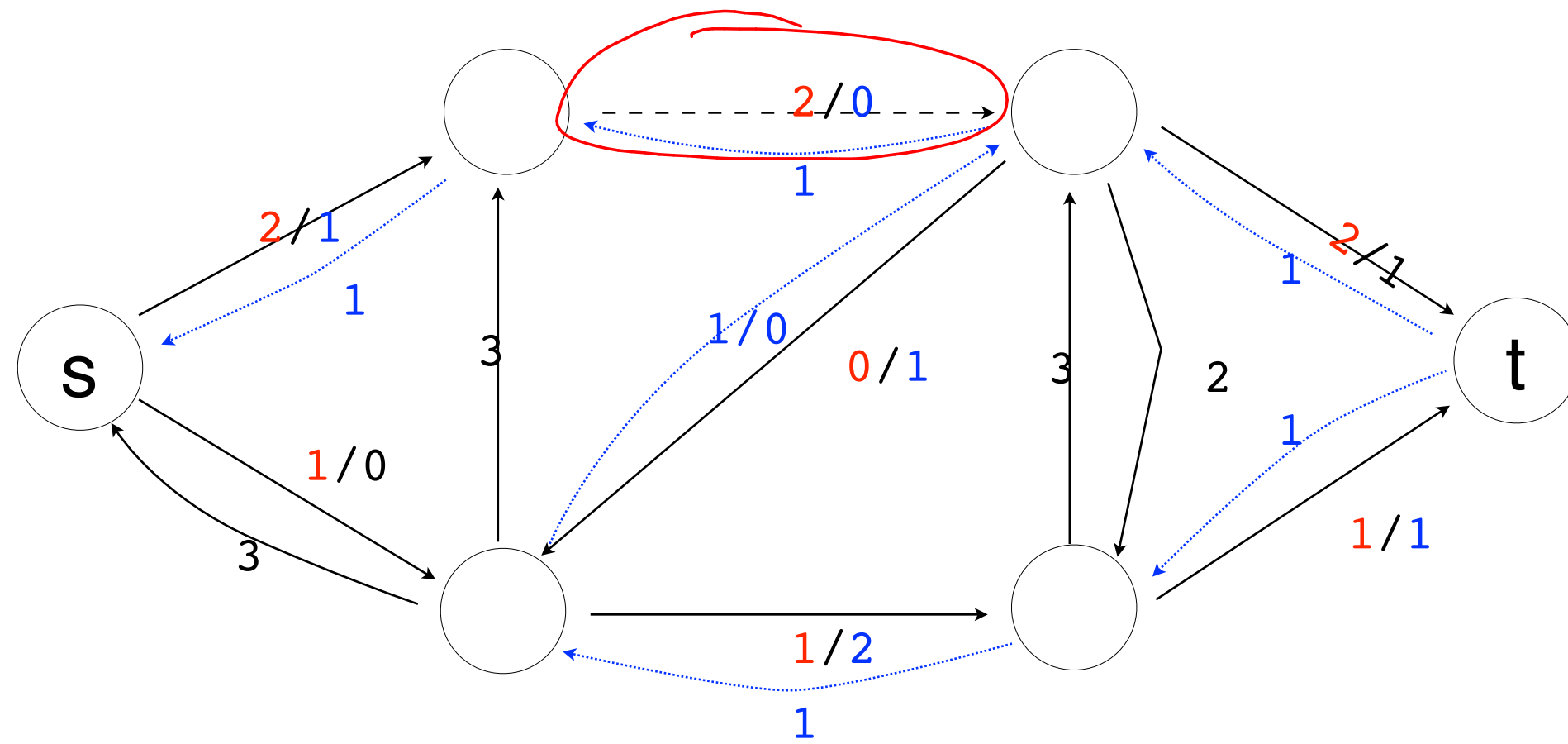
$\Theta(E^2V)$

$\delta_f(s, v)$ increases monotonically thru exec

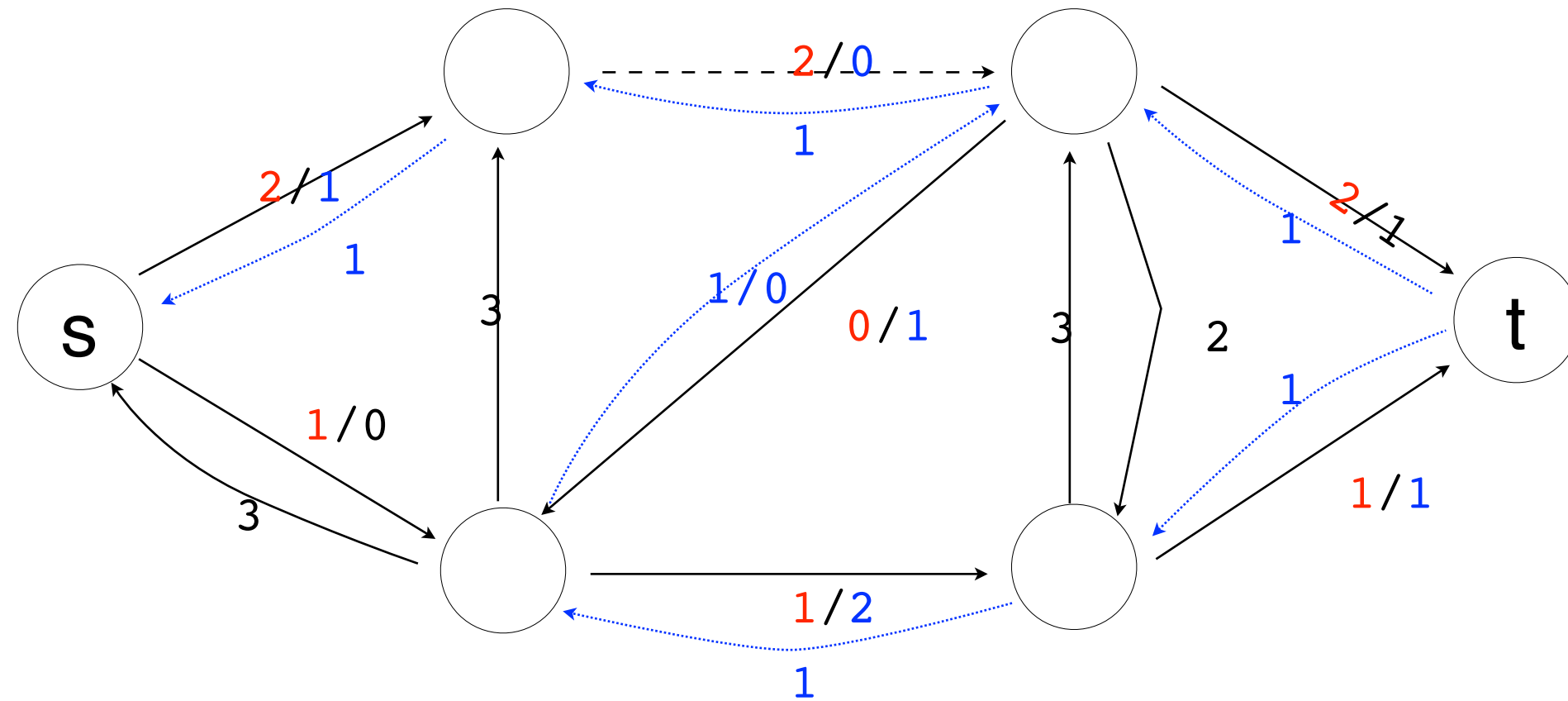
$$\delta_{i+1}(v) \geq \delta_i(v)$$



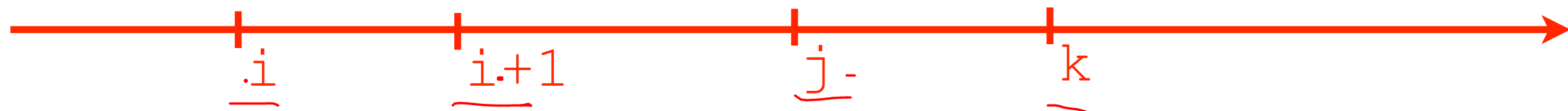
for every augmenting path, some edge is critical.

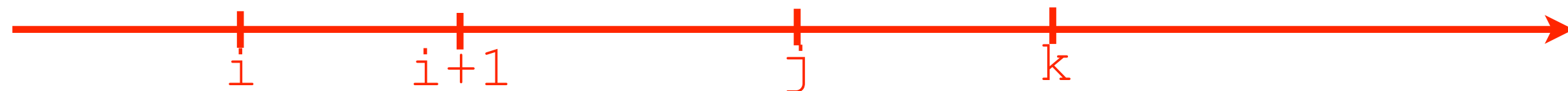


critical edges are removed in next residual graph.



key idea: how many times can an edge be critical?





first time (u,v) is critical:

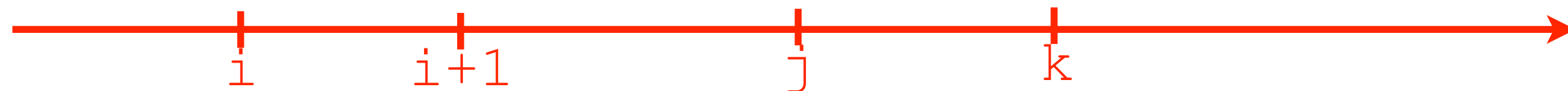


time $i+1$: (u,v) is critical: $\delta_{i+1}(s, v) \geq \delta_i(s, u) + 1$



time j : Edge (u,v) STRIKES BACK

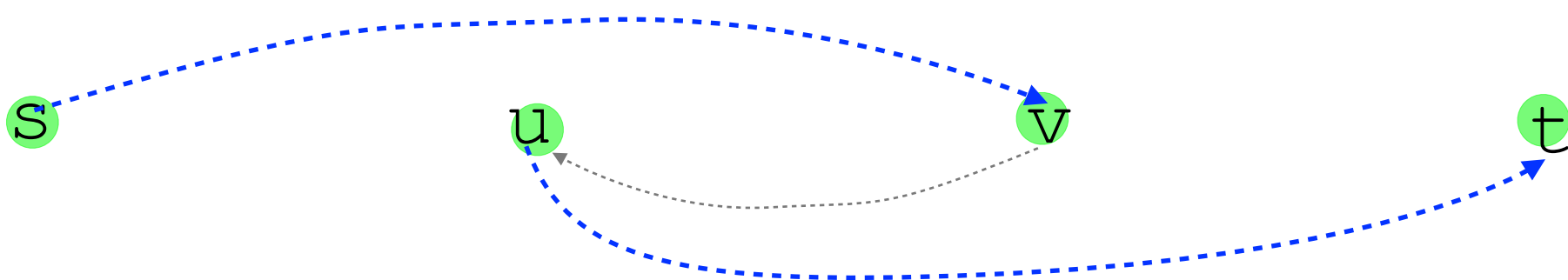




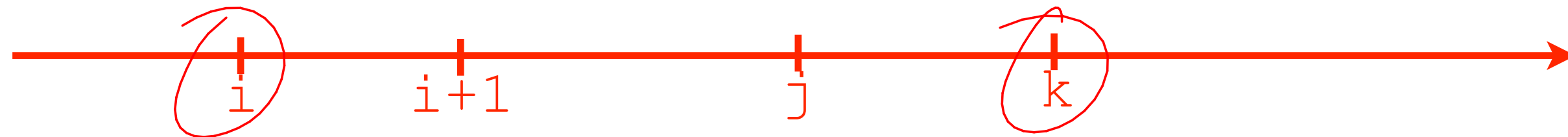
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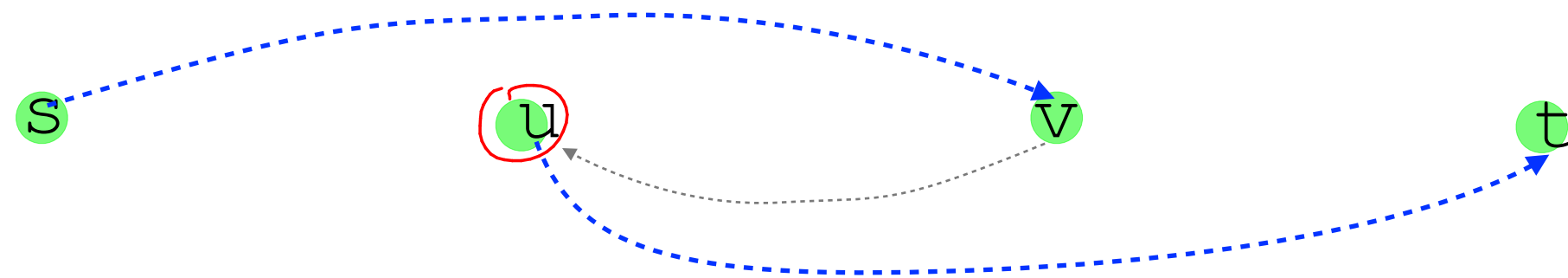
$$\delta_j(s, u) = \delta_j(s, v) + 1$$



time j : Edge (u,v) STRIKES BACK

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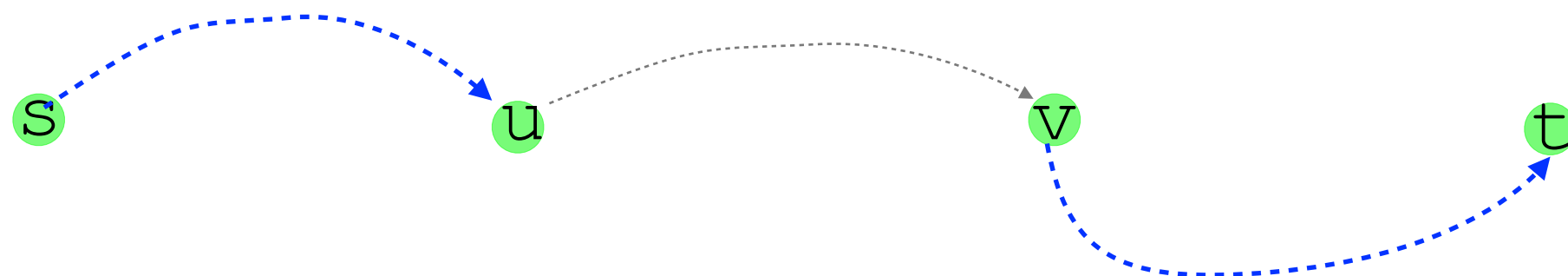
$$\delta_j(s, u) = \delta_j(s, v) + 1$$





time k : RETURN OF THE (u,v) critical

$$\delta_k(s, u) \geq \delta_i(s, u) + \underline{\underline{2}}$$



QUESTION: How many times can (u,v) be critical?

edge critical only $\frac{V}{2}$ times.

there are only E edges.

ergo, total # of augmenting paths: $\Theta(EV)$

time to find an augmenting path: $\Theta(E+V)$

total running time of E-K algorithm: $\Theta(E^2V)$

FF $O(E|f^*|)$

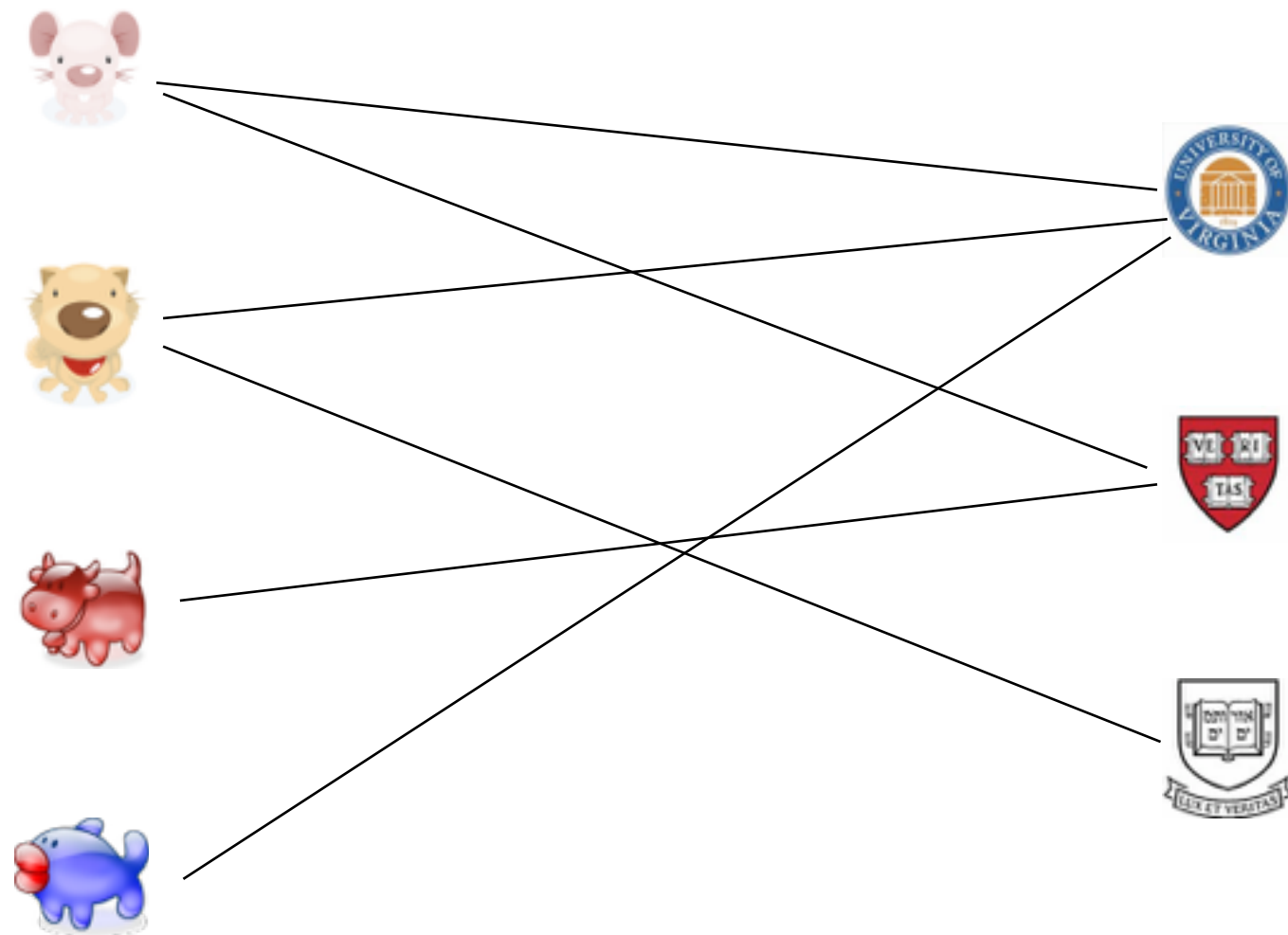
EK2

PUSH-RELABEL

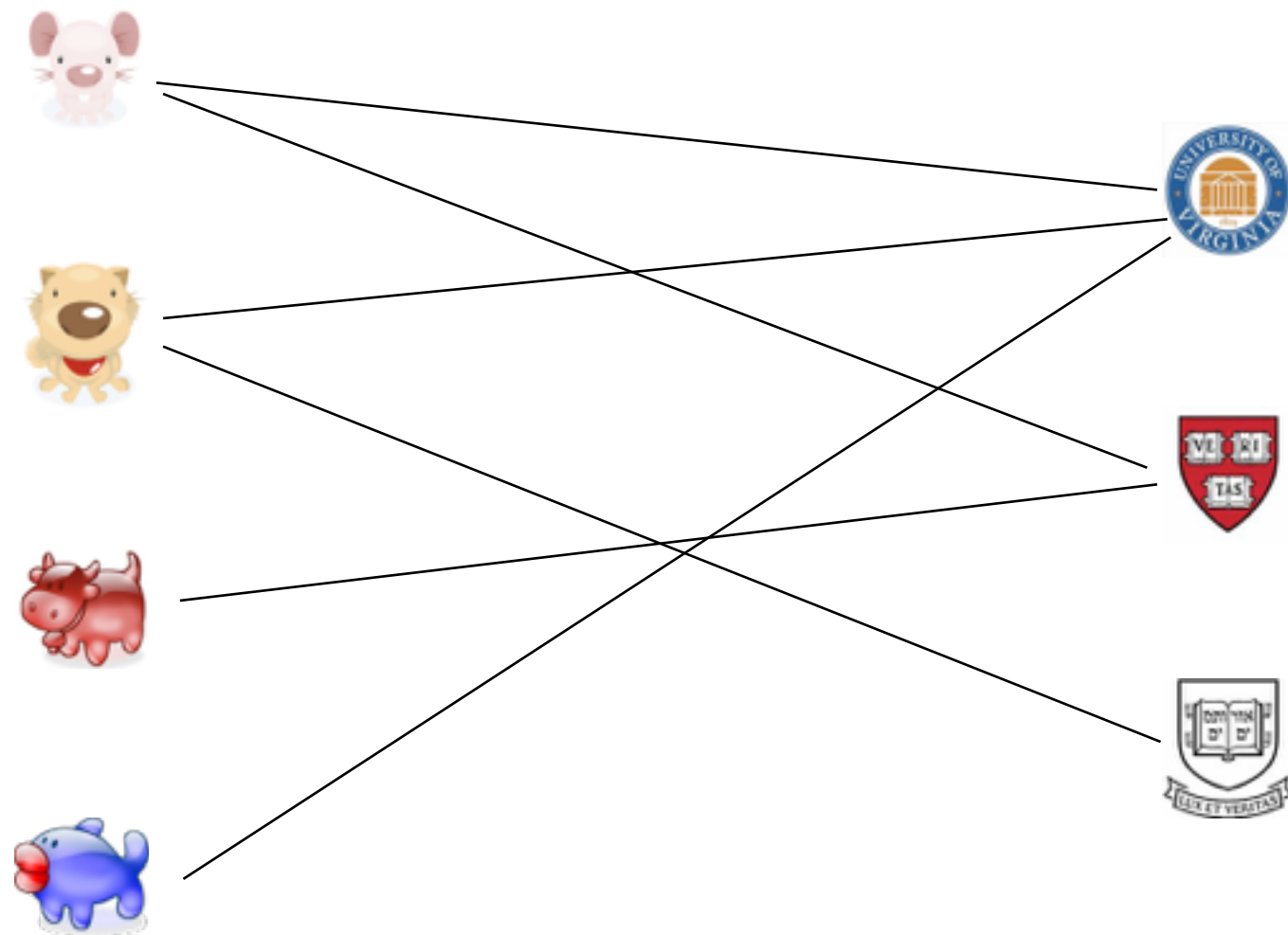
FASTER PUSH-RELABEL

Bipartite

maximum bipartite matching



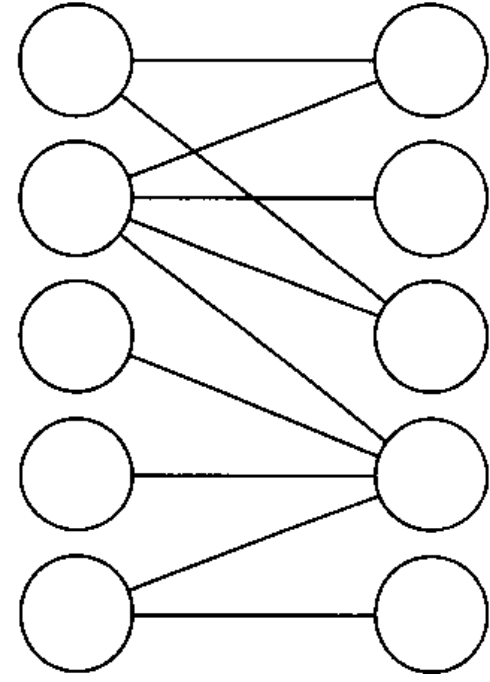
maximum bipartite matching



bipartite matching

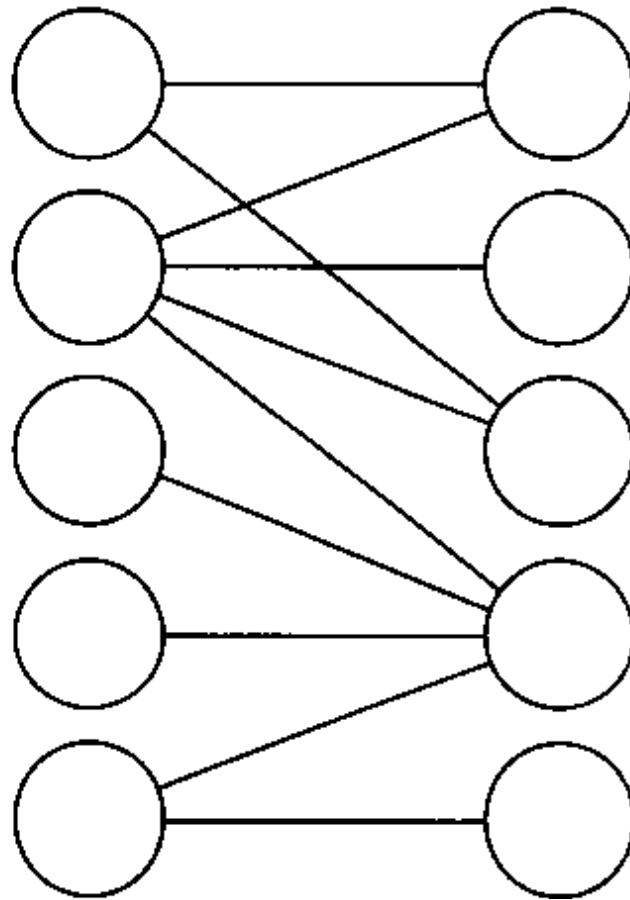
problem:

algorithm



algorithm

1. MAKE NEW G'
FROM INPUT G .
2. RUN FF ON G'
3. OUTPUT ALL MIDDLE EDGES
WITH FLOW $F(E)=I$.



correctness

IF G HAS A MATCHING OF SIZE k , THEN

correctness

IF G' HAS A FLOW OF K , THEN

integrality theorem

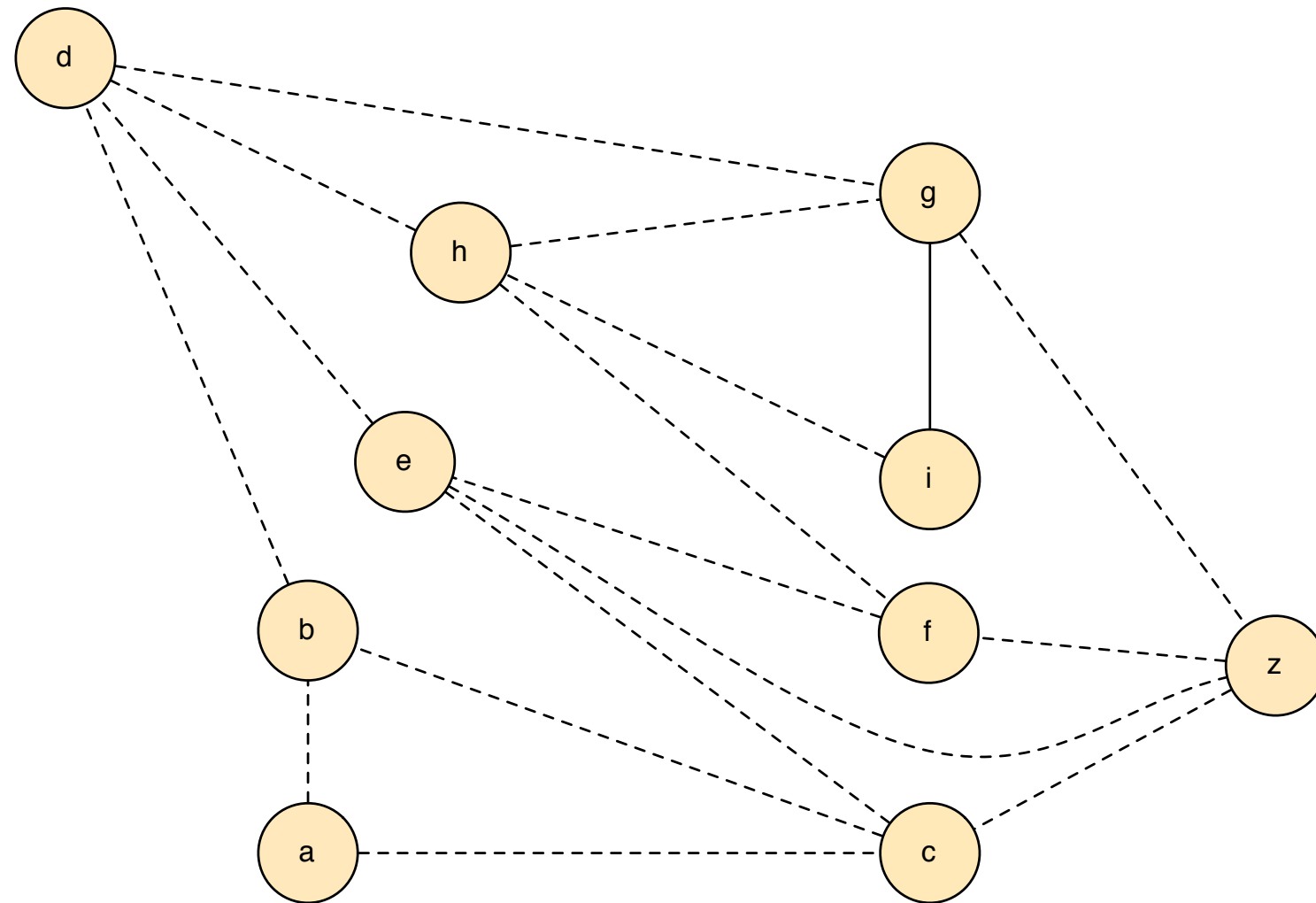
IF CAPACITIES ARE ALL INTEGRAL, THEN

correctness

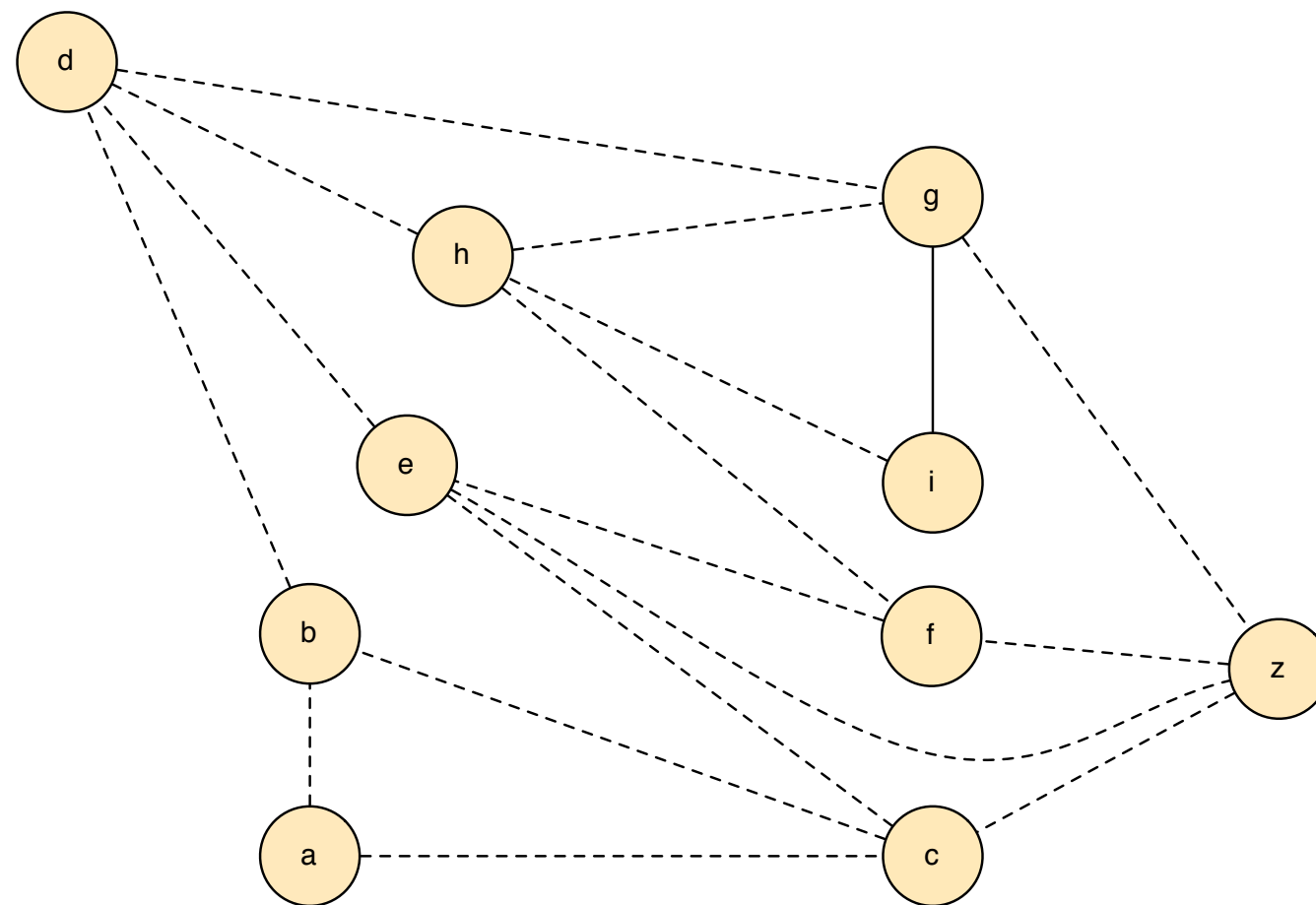
• HAS A FLOW OF K , THEN G HAS K -MATCHING.

running time

edge-disjoint paths



algorithm



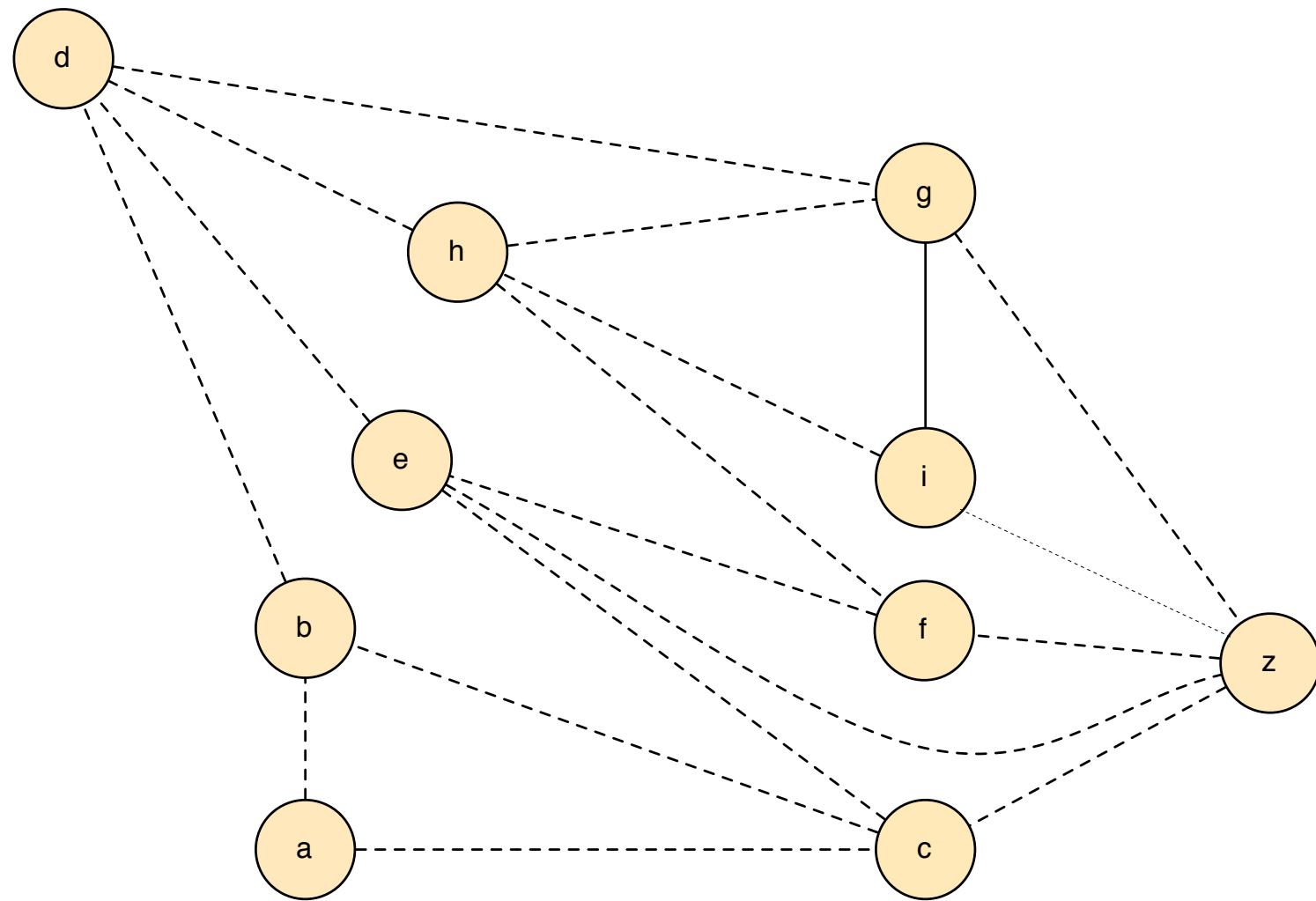
analysis

IF G HAS K DISJOINT PATHS, THEN

analysis

' G ' HAS A FLOW OF K , THEN

vertex-disjoint paths

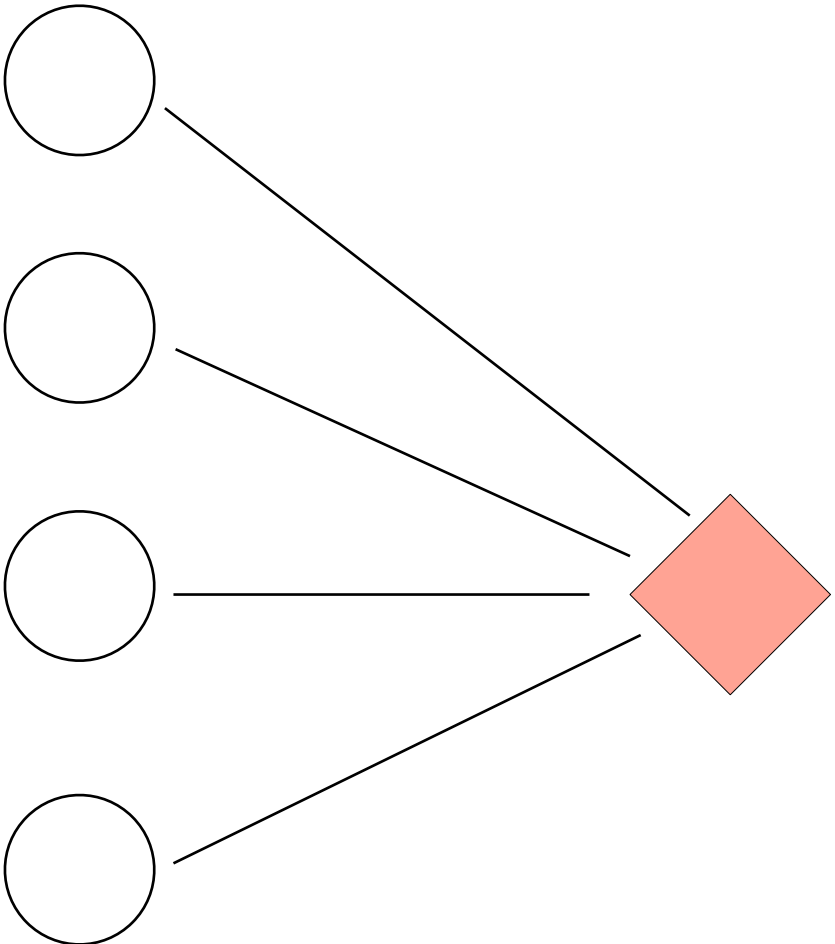
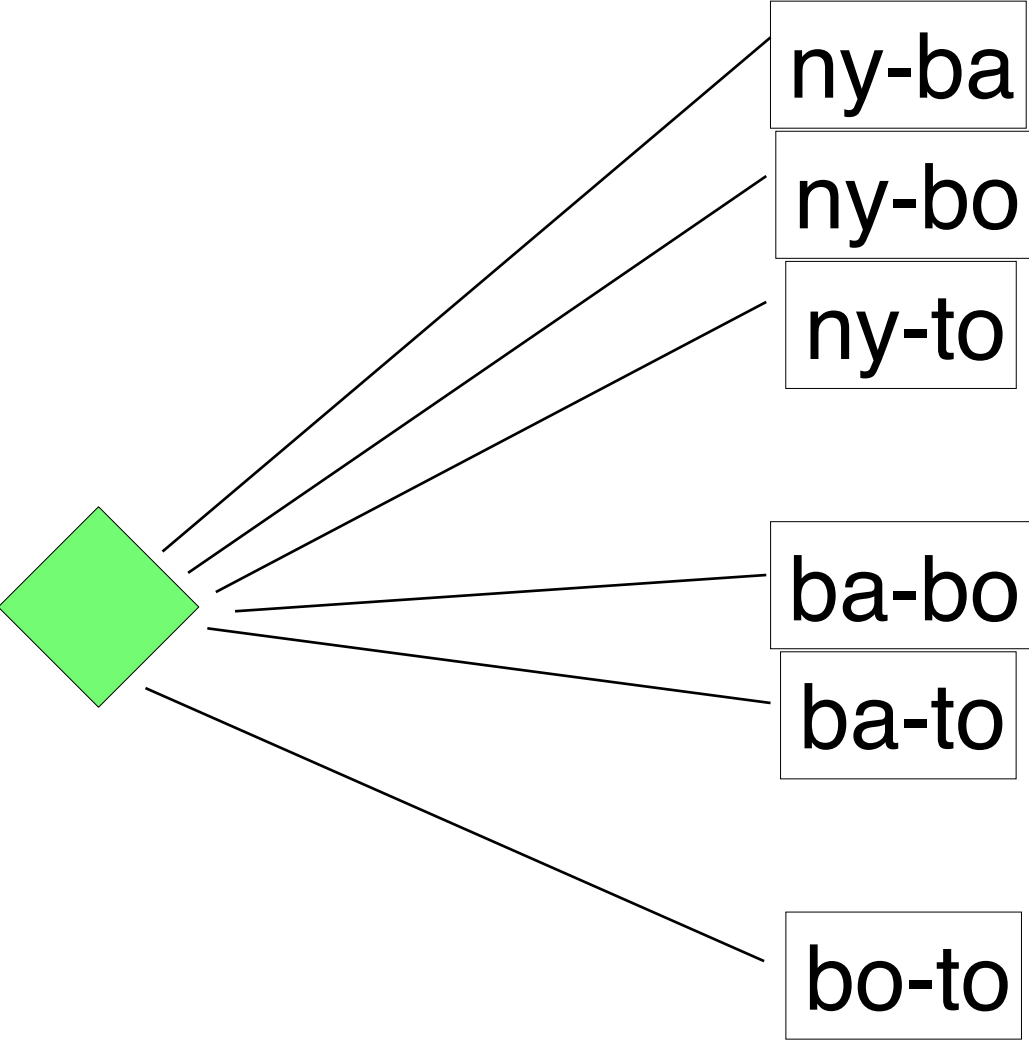


baseball elimination

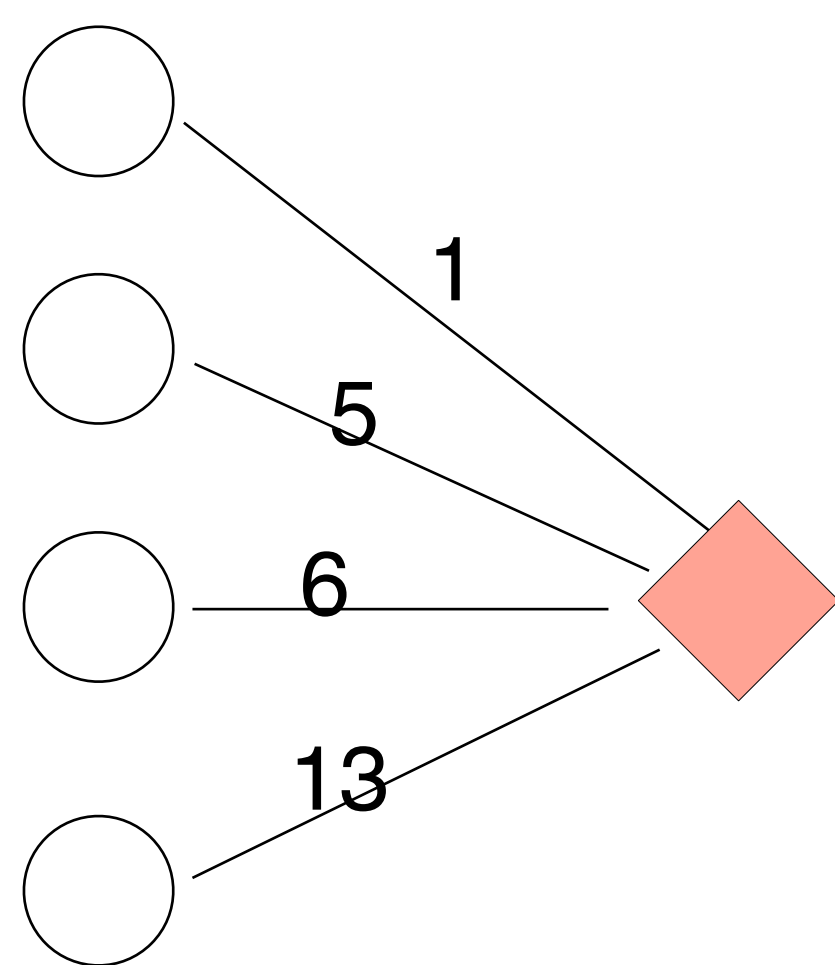
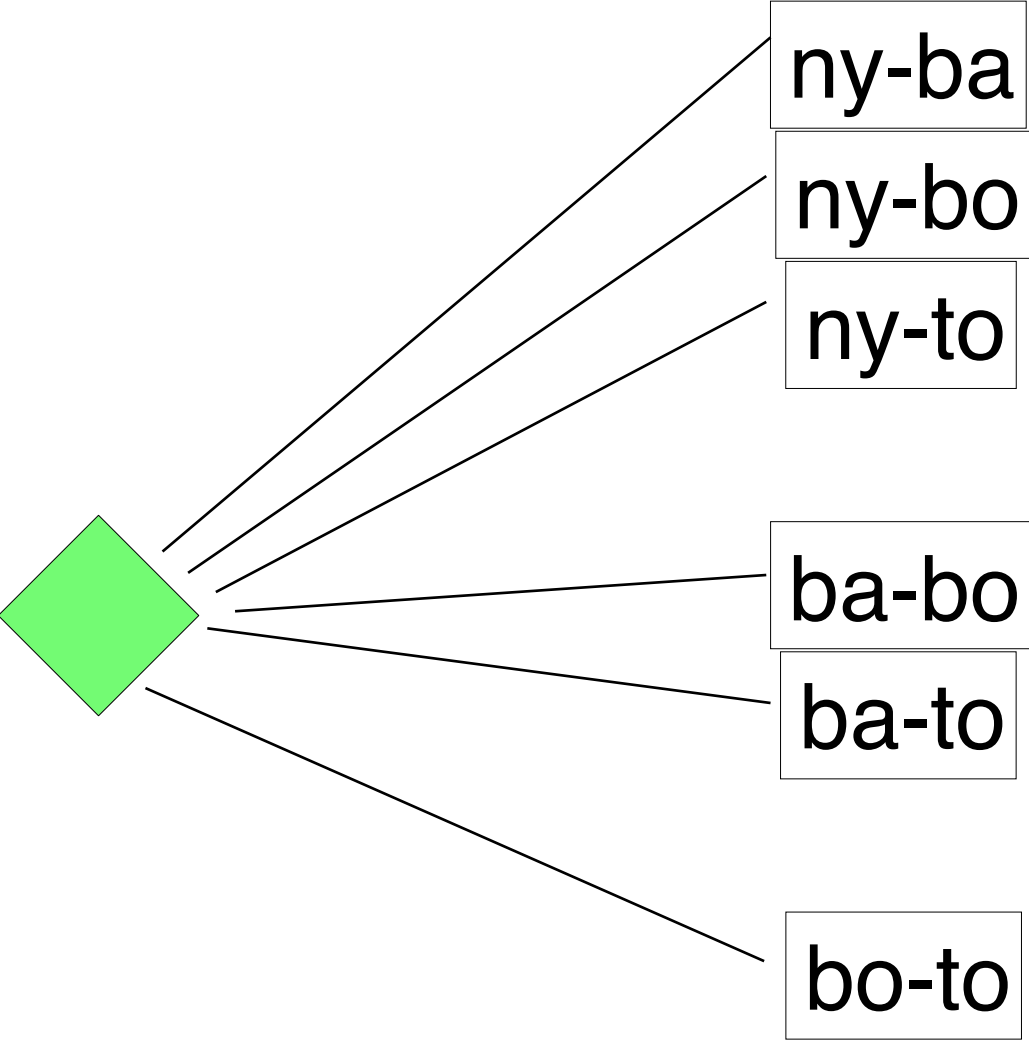
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	W	L	Left	A	P	N	M
ATL	83	71	8	-	1	6	1
PHL	80	79	3	1	-	0	2
NY	78	78	6	6	0	-	0
MONT	77	82	3	1	2	0	-

baseball elimination

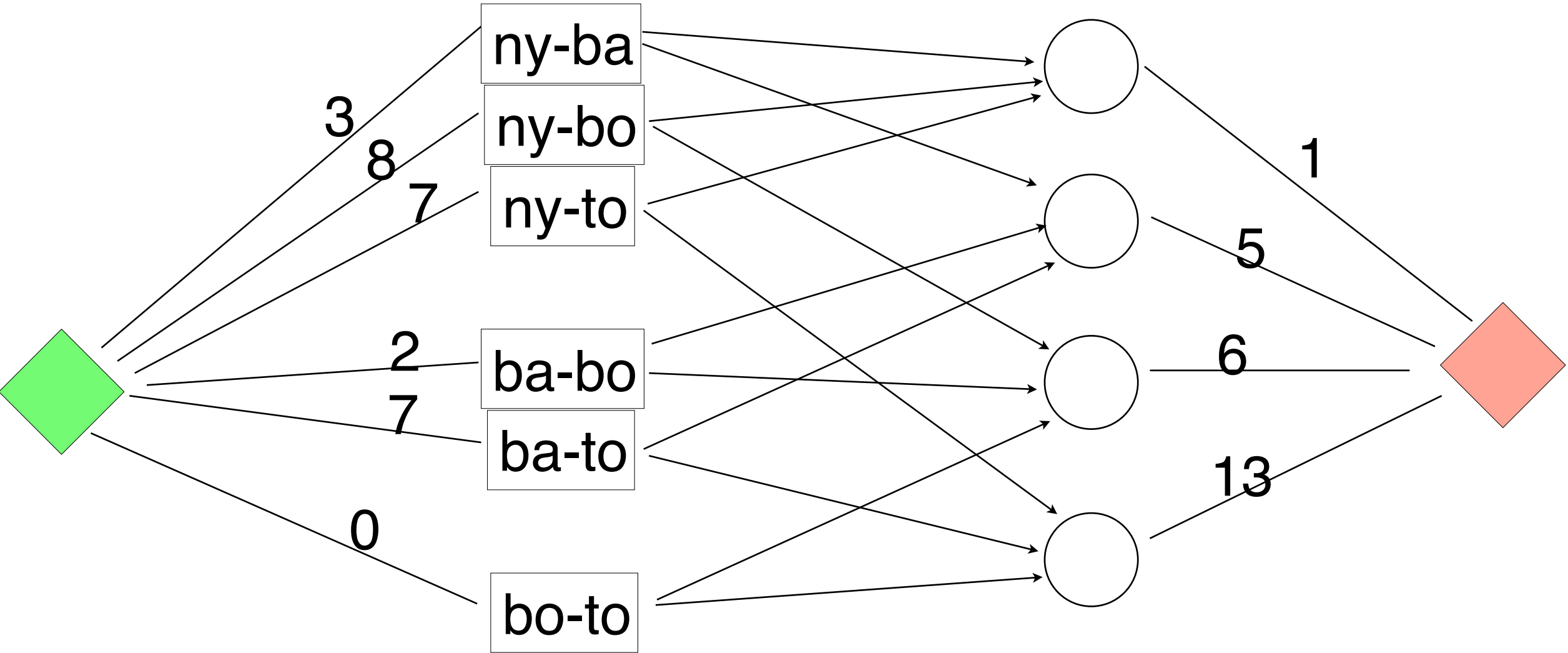
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NY	75	59	28		3	8	7	3
BAL	71	63	28	3		2	7	4
BOS	69	66	27	8	2			
TOR	63	72	27	7	7			
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